



THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF  
THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1                   **[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION READ**  
2                   **IN BY DEPUTY EXECUTIVE OFFICER ON PAGE 5]**

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6   [GAVEL.]

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8   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THE MAY 26, 2015 MEETING OF THE  
9   LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BEGIN. FIRST  
10   WE'LL BE LED IN PRAYER FROM RABBI HOWARD LAIBSON FROM THE  
11   CONGREGATION SHIR CHADASH IN LAKEWOOD IN THE FOURTH  
12   SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AND OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE  
13   LED BY PETER ROMAN, VETERAN OF THE DEPARTMENT OF MILITARY  
14   VETERANS AFFAIRS. AUDIENCE WILL PLEASE RISE. RABBI. WELCOME.

15  
16   **RABBI LAIBSON:** OUR GOD AND GOD OF ALL GENERATIONS LONG, LONG  
17   AGO, THE GREAT RABBI HILLEL TAUGHT "IF I AM NOT FOR MYSELF,  
18   WHO WILL BE FOR ME? BUT IF I AM ONLY FOR MYSELF, WHAT AM I?  
19   AND IF NOT NOW, WHEN?" THESE RHETORICAL QUESTIONS ARE  
20   COLLECTIVELY, IN MANY WAYS, A PERFECT RATIONALE FOR LIFE IN A  
21   DEMOCRACY. FOR IF WE DO NOT REPRESENT OUR OWN NEEDS AND VALUES  
22   AND INTERESTS, CAN WE EXPECT SOMEONE ELSE TO DO SO FOR US?  
23   AND, YET, IF WE ONLY REPRESENT OUR NEEDS AND INTERESTS, IT'S  
24   AS IF NO ONE ELSE MATTERS. IS THIS GOOD? IT'S ALSO A  
25   RHETORICAL QUESTION. THE ANSWER, OF COURSE, IS THAT WE MUST

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1 LIVE A LIFE OF CREATIVE COMPROMISE IF WE ARE TO AVOID THE  
2 PITFALLS OF BOTH SELF-DENIAL AND SELF-AGGRANDIZEMENT. AND SO  
3 WE REMEMBER HOW HILLEL CLOSED HIS SET OF RHETORICAL QUESTIONS:  
4 "AND IF NOT NOW, WHEN?" NOW IS THE TIME FOR ALL OF US TO  
5 ASSUME OUR ROLE IN CREATING A SENSE OF GREATER GOOD IN OUR  
6 SOCIETY. AND NOW IS THE TIME FOR US TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
7 PROCESS OF MAKING OUR VOICES HEARD AND OF HEARING THOSE WHOSE  
8 ENERGIES AND EFFORTS ARE WORKING ON OUR BEHALF. MAY THIS  
9 GATHERING REPRESENT SUCH A PROCESS. TO EACH OF YOU, I SAY:  
10 BLESSED ARE YOU IN YOUR COMING IN AND BLESSED MAY YOU BE WHEN  
11 YOU GO OUT. AMEN.

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13 **PETER ROMAN:** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING AND JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE  
14 OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,  
19 COLLEAGUES, IT'S MY PRIVILEGE TO THANK A GOOD FRIEND, RABBI  
20 HOWARD LAIBSON OF CONGREGATION SHIR CHADASH IN LAKEWOOD FOR  
21 TAKING THE TIME OUT OF HIS VERY BUSY SCHEDULE IN PROVIDING THE  
22 INVOCATION. RABBI HOWARD GREW UP HERE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA,  
23 ATTENDED THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SANTA CRUZ WHERE HE  
24 GRADUATED WITH HONORS. HE ALSO EARNED A MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE  
25 IN EDUCATION COUNSELING AT CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE AND A MASTER



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1 OF ARTS DEGREE IN HEBREW LITERATURE FROM THE HEBREW UNION  
2 COLLEGE. HE WAS ORDAINED IN 1981 AND IN 2006 HE WAS AWARDED A  
3 DOCTOR OF DIVINITY DEGREE FOR 25 YEARS OF DISTINGUISHED  
4 SERVICE TO THE JEWISH COMMUNITY. HE HAS SERVED CONGREGATIONS  
5 IN TEXAS, NEW MEXICO, LOCALLY IN LONG BEACH AND NOW IN THE  
6 GREAT CITY OF LAKEWOOD WHERE NEXT MONTH HE'LL BE RETIRING  
7 AFTER 34 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND ITS FAITH. SO  
8 HE AND HIS WIFE ELLEN HAVE TWO DAUGHTERS. THEY LIVE IN SEAL  
9 BEACH. AND IT'S MY HONOR TO THANK HIM TODAY FOR TAKING THE  
10 TIME TO LEAD US IN THE INVOCATION AND THANK HIM FOR HIS  
11 FRIENDSHIP OVER THE YEARS AND WISH HIM GODSPEED IN HIS  
12 RETIREMENT. [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. MAYOR  
15 AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. I WILL BEGIN WITH THE REPORT OF THE  
16 CLOSED SESSION. THE FOLLOWING IS A REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN  
17 SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION ON MAY 26, 2015. ON ITEM NO. CS-1,  
18 THERE'S NO REPORTABLE ACTION. AND ON THE REGULAR 1:00 MEETING  
19 CLOSED SESSION, ITEM CS-1 AND CS-2, THERE IS NO REPORTABLE  
20 ACTION. THANK YOU. AND WE WILL BEGIN THE READING OF THE  
21 AGENDA. ON PAGE 2, PRESENTATIONS AND SET MATTERS. ON ITEM NO.  
22 S-1, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
23 CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO JUNE 9, 2015. ON ITEM S-2, SUPERVISOR  
24 ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO  
25 JUNE 2, 2015. ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE

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1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ON ITEM 1-D, THIS ITEM WILL  
2 BE HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE PUBLIC HEARING AS IT RELATES  
3 TO ITEMS 1-H AND 6. ON PAGE 6, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE  
4 HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H. THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD IN  
5 CONJUNCTION WITH THE PUBLIC HEARINGS AS IT RELATES TO ITEMS 1-  
6 D AND 6. ON PAGE 7, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL  
7 PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ON ITEM 1-P, A MEMBER OF THE  
8 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON PAGE 8, PUBLIC  
9 HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 11, THESE ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR  
10 HEARINGS. ON PAGE 13, ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF  
11 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 12 THROUGH 23. ON ITEM NO. 12, A MEMBER OF  
12 THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 13,  
13 THIS INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
14 AGENDA. AND ON THIS ITEM, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT  
15 IT BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 15, THIS INCLUDES THE REVISIONS AS  
16 POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON THIS ITEM, THE  
17 MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT IT BE HELD. ON ITEMS NO. 16  
18 AND 17, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE  
19 ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER -- ACTUALLY THE REMAINING ITEMS  
20 UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.  
23 SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1   **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 17, CONSENT  
2   CALENDAR, ITEMS 24 THROUGH 34, ON ITEM 24, THE INTERIM CHIEF  
3   EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO  
4   WEEKS TO JUNE 9, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 25, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A  
5   MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM  
6   NO. 26, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS THIS ITEM BE  
7   HELD. ON ITEM NO. 27, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MEMBERS OF  
8   THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 28,  
9   SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINS FROM THE VOTE. AND ON THIS  
10   ITEM, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT IT BE HELD. ON ITEM  
11   NO. 29, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC  
12   REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 30, A MEMBER OF  
13   THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEMS 31 AND  
14   32, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS  
15   BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 33, THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER  
16   REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JULY 28, 2015. ON ITEM  
17   NO. 34, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE  
18   HELD. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR ARE  
19   BEFORE YOU.

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21   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-  
22   THOMAS. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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24   **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 25, MISCELLANEOUS  
25   ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS



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1 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL  
2 AGENDA, ITEM 35-A, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS  
3 ITEM BE HELD AND ITEM 35-B WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. AND  
4 THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
5 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 3.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WELL, MEMBERS, IT'S A PLEASURE TO  
8 REPRESENT TO YOU, MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY WHO ARE IN THE  
9 AUDIENCE TODAY, WELCOMING TO THE ZAMBIA MINISTER OF FOREIGN  
10 AFFAIRS. ZAMBIAN MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, THE HONORABLE  
11 HARRY KALABA IS HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO EXPLORE BUSINESS  
12 PARTNERSHIPS, OPPORTUNITIES, ESPECIALLY WITH REGARDS TO  
13 AGRICULTURE, WHICH IS ONE OF THE KEY TARGETED ECONOMIC SECTORS  
14 IN ZAMBIA. THE MINISTER AND HIS DELEGATION HAVE TOURED A COLD  
15 STORAGE FACILITY THIS MORNING, BEGINNING THEIR DISCUSSIONS  
16 EXPLORING A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP FOR BUILDING THESE  
17 TYPES OF FACILITIES AROUND THE COUNTRY. HE STATES THAT A LOT  
18 OF PRODUCE GOES TO WASTE, ESPECIALLY SOME OF THE RURAL AREAS  
19 BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF COLD STORAGE FACILITIES COMPOUNDED BY A  
20 LACK OF A RELIABLE TRANSPORTATION-TO-MARKET SYSTEM. HE'S GOING  
21 TO BE MEETING LATER THIS AFTERNOON WITH THE LOS ANGELES  
22 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO EXPLORE TRADE AND INVESTMENT  
23 OPPORTUNITIES, DISCUSSION WITH FOCUS ON BUSINESS, MATCH-MAKING  
24 SKILLS, TRANSFERS AND IMPORT/EXPORT POSSIBILITIES. THE  
25 MINISTER HAS ALREADY SPEARHEADED DEVELOPMENT OF A MEMORANDUM

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1 OF UNDERSTANDING WITH SERBIA TO STEER GROWTH IN VARIOUS  
2 ECONOMIC SECTORS. HE WAS ALSO PART OF A TEAM HEADED BY ZAMBIAN  
3 PRESIDENT, EDGAR LUNGU THAT WENT TO CHINA TO SECURE 1-1/2  
4 BILLION DOLLARS WORTH OF INVESTMENT PLEDGES FOR IMPROVEMENTS  
5 IN TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE. SO ON BEHALF OF OUR COUNTY'S  
6 10 MILLION RESIDENTS, MR. MINISTER, WE WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME  
7 YOU AND GIVE YOU THIS TOKEN OF APPRECIATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **HONORABLE HARRY KALABA:** MAYOR ANTONOVICH, SUPERVISOR SOLIS,  
10 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SUPERVISOR KNABE  
11 AND THE MEMBERS OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY, GREETINGS. I WOULD  
12 LIKE TO BEGIN BY EXPRESSING SINCERE GRATITUDE FOR THE WARM  
13 WELCOME YOU HAVE GIVEN ME AND MY DELEGATION. AND THANK YOU FOR  
14 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SCROLL. THE UNITED STATES ESTABLISHED  
15 DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH ZAMBIA IN 1964 FOLLOWING OUR  
16 INDEPENDENCE FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM THAT SAME YEAR. WE JUST  
17 CELEBRATED 50 YEARS OF INDEPENDENCE LAST YEAR. THE FIRST  
18 GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL TO VISIT LOS ANGELES FOLLOWING THE  
19 ESTABLISHMENT OF DIPLOMATIC TIES BETWEEN ZAMBIA AND THE UNITED  
20 STATES WAS THEN OUR LATE PRESIDENT, PRESIDENT MICHAEL SATA.  
21 SINCE THEN, SEVERAL ZAMBIAN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVES  
22 INCLUDING ZAMBIA'S FIRST PRESIDENT, KENNETH KAUNDA, CABINET  
23 MINISTERS AND OF COURSE OUR AMBASSADORS AND THEIR OFFICERS  
24 HAVE VISITED LOS ANGELES. AND AS YOU KNOW LAST YEAR, WE  
25 APPOINTED AN HONORARY CONSUL AS OUR REPRESENTATIVE IN

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1 CALIFORNIA. I GIVE THIS BACKGROUND TO SHOW YOU THAT WE  
2 ACKNOWLEDGE THE IMPORTANCE OF BUILDING A NURTURING  
3 RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. ZAMBIA HAS BEEN  
4 RECOGNIZED AS ONE OF THE MOST PEACEFUL NATIONS ON THE  
5 CONTINENT. AS YOU ARE PROBABLY AWARE, FOLLOWING THE DEATH OF  
6 THE LATE PRESIDENT MICHAEL SATA LAST OCTOBER, THE COUNTRY WAS  
7 FACED WITH UNPLANNED ELECTIONS WHILE ALSO MOURNING THE DEATH  
8 OF OUR LEADER. DEMOCRACY RULED THE DAY, AND A NEW GOVERNMENT  
9 WAS SPECIFICALLY FORMED AND PRESIDENT EDGAR LUNGU WAS ELECTED.  
10 OUR PARTY, THE PATRIOT FRONT, HAVE RETAINED POWER AND WE ARE  
11 CONTINUED ALONG THE PATH TO DEVELOPMENT. THE ZAMBIAN  
12 EXPERIENCED HAS EXPERIENCED AN ANNUAL G.D.P. GROWTH OF 6.5  
13 PERCENT YEAR OVER YEAR OVER THE LAST SEVEN YEARS. THE GROWTH  
14 WAS LARGELY DRIVEN BY MANUFACTURING, MINING, CONSTRUCTION,  
15 TRANSPORT, COMMUNICATIONS AND THE PUBLIC SECTOR. COPPER  
16 MAINTAINS THE MAINSTAY CONTRIBUTING ABOUT 70 PERCENT OF EXPORT  
17 EARNINGS. ZAMBIA IS THE EIGHTH LARGEST PRODUCER OF COPPER IN  
18 THE WORLD. MY GOVERNMENT HAS AN INDUSTRIAL STRATEGY TO CREATE  
19 ONE MILLION NEW FORMED SECTOR JOBS OVER FIVE YEARS. FOUR  
20 GROWTH FACTORS HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED AS HAVING THE GREATEST  
21 POTENTIAL OF ACHIEVING OBJECTIVES OF PROMOTING GROWTH,  
22 EMPLOYMENT, VALUE ADDITION AND EXPANDING ZAMBIAN'S ECONOMIC  
23 BASE. THESE ARE AGRICULTURE, TOURISM, CONSTRUCTION AND  
24 MANUFACTURING SECTORS. THESE SECTORS HAVE THE HIGHEST  
25 REQUIREMENTS FOR LABOR AND THE POTENTIAL TO BE HIGHLY

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1 COMPETITIVE. THESE HAPPEN TO BE AREAS WHERE LOS ANGELES HAS A  
2 COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGE. AND WE FEEL THAT WE COULD LEARN A LOT  
3 FROM YOU. VALUE ADDITION IS KEY TO THE GROWTH OF ZAMBIA'S  
4 ECONOMY. WE HAVE THE RAW MATERIAL BUT WE LACK SUFFICIENT  
5 INVESTMENT INTO PROCESSING AND VALUE ADDITION. THIS IS ONE OF  
6 SEVERAL AREAS WHERE I SEE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR SYNERGY BETWEEN  
7 LOS ANGELES BUSINESSES AND ZAMBIAN BUSINESSES. MY GOVERNMENT  
8 RECOGNIZES THE VALUE OF A STRONG RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COUNTY  
9 OF LOS ANGELES. IF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WERE ITS OWN COUNTRY, IT  
10 WOULD HAVE THE 19TH LARGEST ECONOMY IN THE WORLD. OUTSIDE OF  
11 WASHINGTON, D.C., LOS ANGELES HAS THE MOST NUMBER OF CONSULAR  
12 REPRESENTATION. THE IMPORTANCE OF LOS ANGELES GLOBALLY IS  
13 CLEAR. THERE ARE SEVERAL AREAS OF SHARED INTEREST BETWEEN LOS  
14 ANGELES AND ZAMBIA, WHICH IF EXPLORED COULD BE MUTUALLY  
15 BENEFICIAL. FOR INSTANCE, TOURISM IS ONE OF MY GOVERNMENT'S  
16 KEY SECTORS TARGETED FOR GROWTH. AND I HAVE LEARNED THAT 20  
17 PERCENT OF THE AMERICAN TOURISTS TO AFRICA COME FROM LOS  
18 ANGELES. TRADE IS VITAL FOR ZAMBIA'S DEVELOPMENT, AND I'VE  
19 ALSO LEARNED THAT THE PORT OF LOS ANGELES IS THE LARGEST PORT  
20 IN THE U.S. AND RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MAJORITY OF INFLOW AND  
21 OUTFLOW OF GOODS. KEY FOR ZAMBIA'S DEVELOPMENT. WE GROW THE  
22 FOOD BUT WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO PROCESS IT OURSELVES. I'VE  
23 ALSO LEARNED THAT LOS ANGELES HAS THE LARGEST NUMBER OF FOOD  
24 PROCESSING COMPANIES IN THE UNITED STATES. I COULD GO ON WITH  
25 LISTING THE AREAS OF MUTUAL BENEFITS. I'M AWARE THAT MY

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1 HONORABLE CONSUL HAS SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS A  
2 REQUEST FOR A FORMAL FRIENDSHIP AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY  
3 OF LOS ANGELES AND ZAMBIA'S LARGEST PROVINCE. I WOULD LIKE TO  
4 MAKE AN APPEAL TO YOU, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, TO DECIDE  
5 FAVORABLY AND HELP TAKE THIS RELATIONSHIP TO A HIGHER LEVEL.  
6 THANK YOU FOR THE WARM WELCOME TO LOS ANGELES. I WOULD LIKE TO  
7 EXTEND AN INVITATION TO YOU TO VISIT ZAMBIA. WE WOULD LOVE TO  
8 HOST YOU AND EXTEND THE SAME LEVEL OF HOSPITALITY YOU HAVE  
9 SHOWN TO US. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS AND I, ALONG  
12 WITH THE BOARD MEMBERS, ARE GOING TO RECOGNIZE THE BRAVE MEN  
13 AND WOMEN OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO ARE  
14 RETURNING FROM NEPAL. [APPLAUSE.] THROUGHOUT THE WORLD,  
15 WHEREVER THERE IS AN EARTHQUAKE, DISASTER, THESE ARE THE MEN  
16 AND WOMEN WHO HAVE BEEN CERTIFIED BY THE UNITED STATES STATE  
17 DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND AND SAVE LIFE AND PROPERTY. THEY HAVE  
18 DEDICATED THEIR PROFESSIONALISM NOT JUST TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
19 BUT TO THE ENTIRE WORLD. AND THEY'VE BEEN CALLED UPON, EVEN  
20 THE DOG, WHO HAS A WONDERFUL JOB, IN FINDING THOSE WHO ARE  
21 MISSING FROM THESE TRAGEDIES. THE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S URBAN  
22 SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM AND OUR DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES,  
23 DOCTORS AND NURSES, WHO WERE DEPLOYED TO NEPAL AFTER THE 7.8  
24 MAGNITUDE EARTHQUAKE WHICH KILLED OVER 8,600 PEOPLE, INJURING  
25 OVER 17,000. FOR 19 DAYS, THESE MEN AND WOMEN, 57 MEMBERS OF

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1 THE COUNTY'S FIRE DEPARTMENT, URBAN SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAM,  
2 ALONG WITH OUR SIX DOCTORS AND NURSES, HELPED RENDER AID TO  
3 THE SICK AND WOUNDED AND TO SAVE LIFE. WHEN IN NEPAL, THEY  
4 PULLED A 15-YEAR-OLD BOY OUT FROM UNDERNEATH A PILE OF RUBBLE  
5 FIVE DAYS AFTER THAT EARTHQUAKE AND SAVED HIS LIFE. THEY  
6 RESCUED A 41-YEAR-OLD WOMAN FROM A FOUR-STORY BUILDING IN THE  
7 VILLAGE AFTER A POWERFUL 7.3 AFTERSHOCK STRUCK JUST A FEW DAYS  
8 AFTER. MEMBERS OF THE LAC+USC MEDICAL CENTER AND U.S.C. SCHOOL  
9 MEDICAL CENTER PROVIDED THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE AT VARIOUS  
10 HOSPITALS, INCLUDING THE NEPAL ORTHOPEDIC HOSPITAL. SO PLEASE,  
11 ONCE AGAIN, JOIN US IN RECOGNIZING THESE MEN AND WOMEN WHO FOR  
12 THE JOB THEY DID SAVING LIFE AND PROPERTY. [APPLAUSE.]

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14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SOMEBODY ASKED HOW WAS IT THAT JUST THE  
15 MAYOR AND MYSELF WERE SPEAKING, BUT I THINK WE SPEAK FOR ALL  
16 OF OUR BOARD MEMBERS HERE. I KNOW DURING THIS TRAGIC DISASTER,  
17 WE WERE TEXTING BACK AND FORTH WITH OUR CAPTAIN AND WITH SOME  
18 OF OUR FOLKS AND PRAYING EVERY SINGLE DAY THAT PEOPLE WOULD  
19 COME BACK AND BE COMING HOME TO THEIR FAMILIES, BUT MORE  
20 IMPORTANTLY THEIR VALOR AND COURAGEOUSNESS FOR HELPING TO  
21 PROVIDE A SYMBOL OF OUR HELP TO A COUNTRY THAT WAS CRYING OUT  
22 FOR ASSISTANCE. SO I WANT TO CONGRATULATE ALSO THE 57 MEMBERS  
23 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT WHO LITERALLY  
24 RESCUED A NUMBER OF PEOPLE FROM RUBBLE. AND YOU JUST HEARD  
25 THOSE STORIES. AND I ALSO WANT TO CONGRATULATE THE SIX MEMBERS



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1 OF OUR LAC+USC MEDICAL CENTER STAFF INCLUDING TWO SURGEONS AND  
2 AN ANESTHESIOLOGIST, TWO NURSES AND AN EMERGENCY ROOM  
3 PHYSICIAN WHO ALSO WENT DOWN AND PROVIDED ASSISTANCE. ALL I  
4 COULD SAY IS IT IS A HAPPY DAY HERE TO SEE YOU BACK. AND WE  
5 JUST CONTINUE TO PRAISE OUR L.A. COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS FOR  
6 EVERYTHING YOU DO, AND TO YOUR FAMILIES. BECAUSE I KNOW THEY  
7 MUST HAVE BEEN GOING THROUGH A WHOLE LOT WAITING TO HEAR HOW  
8 EVERYTHING WENT AND HOW YOU WERE SAFELY RETURNED TO THEM. SO  
9 GOD BLESS YOU ON BEHALF OF ALL OF US HERE AT THE COUNTY.

10 [APPLAUSE.]

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12 **DARYL OSBY:** GOOD AFTERNOON. DARYL OSBY, FIRE CHIEF OF THE LOS  
13 ANGELES COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT, HONORABLE MAYOR AND BOARD,  
14 THANK YOU FOR ACKNOWLEDGING THE TEAM, ACKNOWLEDGING THE  
15 MEMBERS IN THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO THE DEPLOYMENT TO NEPAL. I  
16 CAN'T STAND HERE AND SAY HOW PROUD I AM AS A FIRE CHIEF, I  
17 WANT TO SAY THAT THESE FIREFIGHTERS, THESE ENGINEERS AND  
18 DOCTORS, THE DOG HANDLERS, WHAT THEY DO IS ABOVE AND BEYOND  
19 THEIR NORMAL JOB. IT IS ABOVE AND BEYOND. THERE'S TONS AND  
20 TONS AND HOURS AND HOURS OF TRAINING THAT GOES INTO THEIR  
21 PREPARATION IN RELATION TO THIS SPECIAL DEPLOYMENT. AND WHEN  
22 THEY ARE FINALLY DEPLOYED, THEY GET TO REPRESENT THIS COUNTRY.  
23 WE'RE ONE OF THE TWO INTERNATIONAL SEARCH AND RESCUE TEAMS  
24 THAT ARE DEPLOYED IN THIS COUNTRY THROUGH U.S.A.I.D. THAT'S  
25 RESPONSIBLE FOR DISASTER ASSISTANCE. AND SO AS A FIRE CHIEF

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1 AND I KNOW FROM THE BOARD, OUR MOTTO HERE IN THE LOS ANGELES  
2 COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT IS WE'RE PROUD PROTECTORS OF LIFE AND  
3 PROPERTY. BUT THAT EXTENDS BEYOND OUR BOUNDARIES. THAT EXTENDS  
4 INTERNATIONALLY. AND THE LESSONS LEARNED THAT THESE MEN AND  
5 WOMEN WERE ABLE TO EXPERIENCE IN NEPAL AND THEIR OTHER  
6 DEPLOYMENTS ARE BROUGHT BACK HERE TO L.A. COUNTY, AS YOU ARE  
7 AWARE. WE'RE ALSO EARTHQUAKE COUNTRY. SO MAKE SURE WE ARE  
8 PREPARED IN ADVANCE. WHATEVER LESSONS THEY LEARN ARE BROUGHT  
9 HOME TO ENSURE THAT WE CAN ALSO BETTER RESPOND TO CITIZENS  
10 HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. SO ON BEHALF OF THE TEAM, THANK YOU VERY  
11 MUCH FOR THE ACKNOWLEDGMENT. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **DAN CASTILLO:** HI, I'M DAN CASTILLO, C.E.O. OF L.A. COUNTY  
14 U.S.C. MEDICAL CENTER. AND ON BEHALF OF OUR MEDICAL CENTER AND  
15 OUR TRAUMA TEAM, FANTASTIC TEAM HERE THAT WE HAVE. ONE OF THE  
16 LARGEST TRAUMA CENTERS IN THE NATION RECOGNIZED THROUGHOUT THE  
17 WORLD AS PROVIDING EXCELLENT TRAUMA SERVICES. AND CERTAINLY  
18 THROUGH OUR ASSOCIATION WITH THE KECK SCHOOL OF MEDICINE,  
19 THEY'VE DONE FANTASTIC WORK AND WE REALLY APPRECIATE THEM  
20 TAKING REALLY A SELFLESS ACT IN GOING OUT THERE TO NEPAL TO  
21 HELP THOSE PEOPLE IN NEED. WHAT WE DIDN'T REALIZE IS THAT THEY  
22 ACTUALLY HAD JUST GOTTEN ON THE PLANE TWO HOURS BEFORE THE 7.3  
23 EARTHQUAKE HIT. SO THEY ALMOST GOT STUCK THERE. AND THEY WOULD  
24 PROBABLY STILL BE THERE TODAY HAD THEY NOT TAKEN OFF TWO HOURS  
25 LATER. OF COURSE THEIR RESPONSE WAS: THEY WISH THEY WOULD HAVE

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1 BEEN THERE TO HELP THE INDIVIDUALS AFTER THAT SECOND  
2 EARTHQUAKE. SO THANK YOU AGAIN TO THE SUPERVISORS AND TO THE  
3 BOARD FOR THE SUPPORT. AND WE ARE ABSOLUTELY PROUD TO HAVE  
4 THIS TEAM AS PART OF OUR HOSPITAL AND PART OF L.A. COUNTY.  
5 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE THE  
8 L.A.U.P.S. PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD. THESE ARE THE  
9 2015 RECIPIENTS OF THE L.A. COUNTY'S PRESCHOOL TEACHERS  
10 RECOGNIZING THEM FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING WORK IN EARLY CHILDHOOD  
11 EDUCATION. EACH YEAR, THE PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD  
12 ACKNOWLEDGES THE QUALITY, CREATIVITY AND HARD WORK OF THOSE  
13 WHO TEACH OUR YOUTH. AWARD RECIPIENTS REPRESENT EACH OF THE  
14 COUNTIES' FIVE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS. AND WE'RE GOING TO  
15 PRESENT THEM AT THIS TIME. FOR THE FIFTH SUPERVISORIAL  
16 DISTRICT, WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE DR. ROBERT ROSS, PRESIDENT AND  
17 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT, RECIPIENT  
18 OF THE BETH LOW WORK FOR HELPING TO REDUCE CHILDHOOD OBESITY  
19 IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY IN ADDITION  
20 TO SUPPORTING OUR COUNTY'S CHILDREN, DR. ROSS HAS BEEN A  
21 LEADER IN THE EFFORT TO SUPPORT THE REOPENING OF THE DR.  
22 MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL AND THE REVITALIZATION OF THE  
23 CHARLES DREW UNIVERSITY. SO, DOCTOR? THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
24 [APPLAUSE.] NOW I WANT TO RECOGNIZE DINA PEREZ FROM THE CHILD  
25 DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM. MISS PEREZ'S DEDICATION TO EARLY

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1 CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT BEGAN WHEN SHE WAS ONLY 15 YEARS OLD,  
2 ABOUT EIGHT YEARS AGO, RIGHT? [LAUGHTER.] SHE FOCUSES ON  
3 PROVIDING YOUNG CHILDREN WITH THE LIFE SKILLS NECESSARY TO  
4 SUCCEED BY DEVELOPING A CUSTOMIZED LEARNING EXPERIENCE FOR  
5 CHILDREN WHICH FOCUSES ON THE TEACHING THEM THEIR NATIVE  
6 LANGUAGE, ENCOURAGES PARENTS TO GET INVOLVED IN THEIR  
7 CHILDREN'S EDUCATION, PARTNERS WITH LOCAL COMMUNITY COLLEGES  
8 TO ALLOW THOSE STUDENTS IN THE CHILD DEVELOPMENT FIELD TO PUT  
9 THEORY INTO PRACTICE. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR  
10 SOLIS?

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. IT'S MY HONOR TO  
13 PROVIDE OUR OUTSTANDING PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR  
14 RECOGNITION TO ANNA ROSAS, REPRESENTING THE FIRST DISTRICT.  
15 THE PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION THE HARD WORK OF  
16 THOSE WHO TEACH CHILDREN DURING A TIME WHEN RAPID BRAIN  
17 DEVELOPMENT CAN BE LEVERAGED TOWARD LONG TERM ACADEMIC  
18 ACHIEVEMENT. WHILE THE REST OF THE NATION IS BEGINNING TO  
19 UNDERSTAND THE VALUE OF EARLY LEARNING, OUR FINALISTS FOR OUR  
20 PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THIS A LONG  
21 TIME AGO. I WANT TO CONGRATULATE HER AND IN PARTICULAR WANT TO  
22 COMMEND HER EFFORTS. EVER SINCE SHE WAS A CHILD, ALL ANNA  
23 WANTED TO DO WAS BECOME A TEACHER, AN HONORABLE PROFESSION.  
24 AND FOR THE LAST NINE YEARS, SHE HAS DEDICATED HERSELF TO  
25 SERVING AS A CHILD DEVELOPMENT TEACHER. PRESCHOOL TEACHERS

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1    LIKE HER PLAY A CRITICAL ROLE. THEY SPEND THEIR DAYS NURTURING  
2    AND TEACHING OUR CHILDREN DURING A VERY IMPORTANT STAGE OF  
3    THEIR LIFE. ON BEHALF OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE FIRST  
4    SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT, I'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS COMMENDATION  
5    TO ANNA SOSA, IN RECOGNITION OF HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE  
6    AFFAIRS OF THE COMMUNITY, FOR THE CIVIC PRIDE DEMONSTRATED BY  
7    HER NUMEROUS CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL CITIZENS OF  
8    LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU, ANNA. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

11

12    **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I'M PLEASED TO  
13    HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THIS PRESENTATION TO MS. DARLA  
14    PLUME WITH L.A.U.P.S., PRESTIGIOUS 2015 LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
15    PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR AWARD FOR THE SECOND  
16    SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. SHE IS AN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATOR WHO  
17    BEGAN HER CAREER AS A CERTIFIED TEACHER WITH THE CULVER CITY  
18    UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT IN 1988. SHE CURRENTLY HOLDS DUAL  
19    ROLES WITH THE SCHOOL DISTRICT'S OFFICE OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT,  
20    THE CENTER FOR EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND THAT OF CERTIFIED  
21    TEACHER AND CURRICULUM LIAISON. SHE REVIEWS AND MONITORS THE  
22    MONTHLY CURRICULUM LESSONS, THE LESSON PLANS THAT ARE  
23    DEVELOPED BY TEACHERS FOR ALL 17 CLASSROOMS TO ENSURE PROGRAM  
24    QUALITY. SHE BELIEVES THAT INSTILLING A STRONG SENSE OF SELF  
25    IN EACH CHILD LEADS TO SUCCESS. SHE RECOGNIZES THAT SCHOOL --

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1 THAT PRESCHOOL IS THE FOUNDATION UPON WHICH A CHILD'S SUCCESS  
2 AND ULTIMATELY LIFE SUCCESS WILL BE BUILT. SHE CONDUCTS PARENT  
3 WORKSHOPS BECAUSE SHE KNOWS THAT PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IS  
4 CRITICAL TO A STUDENT'S SUCCESS. CHILDREN ENJOY HER TEACHING  
5 STYLE BECAUSE SHE INSTRUCTS THROUGH CHRONOLOGICAL AWARENESS,  
6 RHYME, ALLITERATION AND SONG. SO TODAY WE TAKE PRIDE IN  
7 ACKNOWLEDGING DARLA PULLUM FOR HER DISTINGUISHED CAREER, PAST  
8 AND PRESENT. AND WE HAVE GREAT EXPECTATIONS FOR HER IN THE  
9 FUTURE AND HER CONTINUED COMMITMENT TO THE CHILDREN AND  
10 FAMILIES OF THE SECOND DISTRICT. WE CELEBRATE HER AS OUR 2015  
11 PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, DARLA  
12 PULLUM. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

15

16 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES. IT'S  
17 MY GREAT, GREAT PLEASURE AND HONOR TO RECOGNIZE MISS DORY MEEK  
18 AS THE THIRD DISTRICT'S PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR. AS THE  
19 LEAD TEACHER AT PINE STREET PRESCHOOL, DORY HAS BEEN WHEN THE  
20 SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SINCE 2010. BUT  
21 JUST SLIGHTLY BEFORE THAT, WHEN SHE WAS IN THE EIGHTH GRADE,  
22 SHE BEGAN TUTORING YOUNG STUDENTS ON HER LUNCH BREAK. AND SO  
23 AT THAT POINT SHE MADE UP HER MIND SHE WANTED TO BE A TEACHER.  
24 TODAY IN DORY'S CLASSROOMS, QUOTE, "CHILDREN ARE TREASURED AND  
25 NOT JUST TOLERATED," AS SHE OFTEN SAYS. SHE EMPHASIZES FUN AND



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1 CREATIVE PLAY TO IGNITE THE NATURAL CURIOSITY AND PASSION  
2 CHILDREN HAVE FOR LEARNING. WITH A DIVERSE STUDENT POPULATION,  
3 DORY MEETS THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF EACH AND EVERY CHILD WORKING  
4 WITH THEIR DIFFERENT LEARNING STYLES, CREATING A POSITIVE  
5 ENVIRONMENT WHERE EVERY CHILD FEELS WELCOME AND INCLUDED. THIS  
6 AWARD IS ESPECIALLY MEANINGFUL BECAUSE DORY WAS NOMINATED BY  
7 PARENTS WHO DESCRIBE HER AS OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE AND SAYS SHE  
8 IS ALWAYS THERE TO HELP THEM NAVIGATE THE SOMETIMES VERY  
9 CHALLENGING WATERS OF NEW PARENTHOOD. WE ALL KNOW ABOUT THE  
10 POSITIVE IMPACT EARLY LEARNING HAS ON YOUNG CHILDREN, BUT ONE  
11 OF THE GREATEST BENEFITS IS THE SUPPORT, GUIDANCE AND MODELING  
12 THAT TEACHERS PROVIDE PARENTS. SO, CONGRATULATIONS TO MISS  
13 DORY MEEK, THE THIRD DISTRICT'S PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR.  
14 YOU ARE A TRUE INSPIRATION TO OUR YOUNGEST CHILDREN AND A  
15 MODEL TO THEIR PARENTS. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, COME ON. MY PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE THE FOURTH  
18 DISTRICT L.A.U.P. PRESCHOOL TEACHER OF THE YEAR. DIANA  
19 ATRUVERIA. SHE TEACHES AT CERRITOS COLLEGE CHILD DEVELOPMENT  
20 CENTER AND HAS BEEN A CHILD EDUCATOR FOR SEVEN YEARS. SHE'S  
21 EXTREMELY DEDICATED TO HER WORK WITH YOUNG CHILDREN. AND THEY  
22 SAY SHE EATS, LIVES AND BREATHES ALL ABOUT THE KIDS ON A DAILY  
23 BASIS. SHE ATTRIBUTES HER UPBRINGING AS A MAJOR INFLUENCE TO  
24 HER BECOMING A PRESCHOOL TEACHER. SHE IS A SECOND GENERATION  
25 IMMIGRANT AND LEARNED ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE WHEN SHE

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1 ENTERED PRESCHOOL. IF DIANA WAS NOT A PRESCHOOL TEACHER, SHE  
2 WOULD WANT TO BE AN ADVOCATE FOR YOUNG KIDS. SHE CONSIDERS  
3 BEING A PRESCHOOL TEACHER THE MOST REWARDING TYPE OF WORK THAT  
4 THERE IS. SHE PLANS TO FURTHER HER EDUCATION THIS FALL WHEN  
5 SHE WILL BE PURSUING HER MASTER'S DEGREE IN EDUCATION. DIANA,  
6 THANK YOU FOR YOUR DEDICATION. AND MOST IMPORTANTLY THE WORK  
7 THAT YOU DO EACH AND EVERY DAY ON BEHALF OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE.  
8 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SPEAKER:** AS CHAIR OF THE L.A. BOARD, I REALLY WANT TO THANK  
11 ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS FOR ALL THAT THEY ARE DOING FOR US. AND  
12 MORE IMPORTANTLY, ANOTHER BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE FOR OUR  
13 PRESCHOOL TEACHERS OF THE YEAR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
14 [APPLAUSE.]

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE MARK SIKAND  
17 AND THE SIKAND FOUNDATION FOR DONATING \$1 MILLION TO THE  
18 CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LOS ANGELES TO ESTABLISH THE  
19 [INAUDIBLE] FACULTY ENDOWMENT FOR RESEARCH AND URBAN  
20 SUSTAINABILITY. THE FAMILY ESTABLISHED THIS ENDOWMENT AS A  
21 TRIBUTE TO A FORMER CAL STATE L.A. CIVIL ENGINEERING  
22 PROFESSOR, A GOOD FRIEND WHO PASSED AWAY LAST SPRING AFTER A  
23 LONG AND DISTINGUISHED CAREER AS AN EDUCATOR, BUSINESS OWNER  
24 AND PHILANTHROPIST. HE TAUGHT AT THE UNIVERSITY FOR MORE THAN  
25 20 YEARS AND VALUED ITS ROLE IN PROVIDING FIRST GENERATION

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1 COLLEGE STUDENTS AN OUTSTANDING EDUCATION AND ASSURING THAT  
2 THEY POSSESS THE EXPERTISE AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS THAT WOULD LEAD  
3 TO FURTHER SUCCESS. TODAY IS MARGURITE HIS MOM AND HIS WIFE  
4 LYNNETTE AND SISTER ANNETTE. THIS IS A WONDERFUL FAMILY. I'VE  
5 KNOWN THEM FOR OVER 35 YEARS. MY FATHER AND BROTHER ALSO KNEW  
6 THEM FOR MANY YEARS IN THE PROFESSIONAL WAY. SO THIS IS A  
7 GREAT TRIBUTE TO A GREAT MAN. AND I KNOW THAT MANY OF THE  
8 STUDENTS GOING TO CAL STATE L.A. ARE GOING TO BENEFIT FROM  
9 THIS GENEROSITY.

10

11 **MARK SIKAND:** I WANT TO JUST THANK THE HONORABLE MAYOR AND THE  
12 BOARD FOR THIS. IF ANYBODY, IF ANY OF YOU KNOW MY FATHER, KNEW  
13 MY FATHER, YOU WOULD KNOW THAT HE WOULD NOT WANT THIS KIND OF  
14 ATTENTION ON HIMSELF. AND WHAT WE HOPE FROM RECEIVING THIS  
15 TODAY IS THAT IT SHEDS SOME ATTENTION ON THE UNIVERSITY OF CAL  
16 STATE LOS ANGELES. IT'S A GREAT UNIVERSITY. SUPERVISOR IS AN  
17 ALUMNI OF THAT UNIVERSITY. IT SERVES A TREMENDOUS VALUE AND  
18 PURPOSE IN THE LOCAL COMMUNITY FOR FIRST GENERATION STUDENTS,  
19 FIRST GENERATION COLLEGE STUDENTS. AND WE HOPE THAT THE  
20 INSTITUTE FOR URBAN SUSTAINABILITY WILL HELP THOSE STUDENTS  
21 LEARN AND DO SOME GOOD FOR THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, WHICH WE  
22 ALL LOVE AND MY FATHER CERTAINLY LOVED AND CHERISHED. SO THANK  
23 YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** CAL STATE LOS ANGELES IS VERY, VERY HAPPY TO HAVE  
2 RECEIVED THIS ENDOWMENT FROM THE SIKAND FAMILY. WE HAVE MANY,  
3 MANY ALUMS OUT THERE RUNNING THE COUNTY OF L.A., CITY OF L.A.,  
4 MAINTAINING THE ROADS, THE WATER SYSTEMS, THE FIRE DEPARTMENT  
5 AND MAKING L.A. A BETTER PLACE TO LIVE. SO WE ARE AUTO E VERY  
6 GRATEFUL FOR THIS AWARD WHICH WE WILL USE FOR FACULTY TO  
7 ENGAGE IN RESEARCH ON HOW TO MAKE L.A. A BETTER PLACE. THANK  
8 YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE WANT TO WELCOME A GENTLEMAN WHO  
11 LEFT A DISTINGUISHED TRAIL IN HIS CAREER. AND WE'RE GOING TO  
12 WELCOME LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT DAVID BURCHAM  
13 WHO IS RETIRING AFTER A 30-YEAR CAREER IN EDUCATION. HE EARNED  
14 HIS BACHELOR OF ARTS IN POLITICAL SCIENCE FROM OX DENTAL  
15 COLLEGE IN 1973 AND HIS MASTER'S IN EDUCATION ADMINISTRATION  
16 FROM CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY LONG BEACH. UPON COMPLETING  
17 HIS MASTER'S DEGREE, HE THEN JOINED THE LONG BEACH UNIFIED  
18 SCHOOL DISTRICT AS AN EDUCATOR AND ADMINISTRATOR FROM 1973  
19 THROUGH 1981, GRADUATING FROM LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL AND CLERKED  
20 FOR U.S. SUPREME COURT JUSTICE BYRON WHITE IN THE THIRD  
21 DISTRICT COURT OF APPEALS JUDGE [INAUDIBLE]. DURING HIS TENURE  
22 AS PRESIDENT, DAVID COMPLETED A \$400 MILLION CAPITAL  
23 FUNDRAISING DRIVE, SECURED APPROVAL FROM THE CITY OF LOS  
24 ANGELES FOR THE UNIVERSITY'S 20-YEAR MASTER PLAN, WHICH  
25 PROVIDES FOR SIGNIFICANT GROWTH WITHOUT EXPANDING THE CAMPUS

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1 FOOTPRINT. AND MY FRATERNITY BROTHER, COLLEGE CLASSMATE, RON  
2 OKUM HAS SERVED ON THAT BOARD HELPING DAVE WITH THE  
3 UNIVERSITY. WE'RE VERY PLEASED WITH THAT LEADERSHIP, AS WELL.  
4 SO, DAVID, CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT.

5

6 **DAVID BURCHAM:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I'M PLEASED TO  
9 ACKNOWLEDGE DAVID BURCHAM OF HIS GREAT ACCOMPLISHMENTS AS  
10 PRESIDENT OF LOYOLA MARYMOUNT UNIVERSITY. I THINK IT'S  
11 IMPORTANT TO MAKE NOTE OF WHY THOSE ACHIEVEMENTS ARE WORTHY OF  
12 NOT ONLY ACKNOWLEDGMENT BUT CELEBRATION, THE FIRST OF WHICH  
13 WAS THE LAUNCH OF \$100 MILLION SCHOLARSHIP INITIATIVE THAT  
14 SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASED FINANCIAL AID PACKAGES. NO SMALL TASK.  
15 THIS OPENED THE DOOR TO A NUMBER OF TOP NOTCH APPLICANTS WHO  
16 PREVIOUSLY COULD NOT AFFORD THE HIGH QUALITY EDUCATION THAT  
17 L.M.U. OFFERS. THE SECOND IS THE ADMIRABLE WORK THAT HAS BEEN  
18 DONE TO ADDRESS THE RACIAL DISPARITIES IN GRADUATION RATES. IN  
19 2010 AND AGAIN IN 2012, THE EDUCATION TRUST NAMED L.M.U. AMONG  
20 THE 11 PUBLIC AND PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES NATIONWIDE FOR THE BEST  
21 COMBINED GRADUATION RATES FOR LATINO AND AFRICAN-AMERICAN  
22 STUDENTS. GRADUATION RATES WERE FOUND TO BE 79 PERCENT FOR  
23 WHITE STUDENTS, 78 PERCENT FOR AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS AND  
24 79 PERCENT FOR LATINO STUDENTS, FAR AND AWAY ABOVE THE  
25 NATIONAL AVERAGES FOR ALL GROUPS. IN EFFECT, HE AND HIS

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1 LEADERSHIP AT THAT UNIVERSITY IS WORKING VERY HARD -- THEY  
2 HAVE WORKED VERY HARD TO CLOSE THE GAP. AND SO I'M PLEASED TO  
3 JOIN WITH THE MAYOR AND THE COLLEAGUES HERE ON THE BOARD TODAY  
4 TO ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AND RECORD. HIS  
5 COMMITMENT TO MAKING HIGHER EDUCATION AFFORDABLE AND HIS  
6 SERVICE TO THE STUDENTS AND STAFF AND FACULTY OF L.M.U. IS  
7 NOTEWORTHY. I'M PLEASED THAT I'VE HAD A CHANCE TO ADDRESS  
8 THEIR BOARD WHILE HE WAS PRESIDING THERE. WE'VE HAD A CHANCE  
9 TO GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER OVER THAT PERIOD OF TIME. AND THIS  
10 IS A STAR EDUCATOR. AND WE CELEBRATE HIM ACCORDINGLY. DAVID,  
11 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR?

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES?

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN I JUST ADD A COUPLE OF WORDS? OBVIOUSLY I HAD  
18 A NUMBER OF YEARS REPRESENTING L.M.U., AS WELL. MORE  
19 IMPORTANTLY, I KNOW THE BURCHAM FAMILY FROM THE LONG BEACH  
20 AREA AND GREAT CORPORATE CITIZENS DOWN THERE, TOO. I COULDN'T  
21 SAY ANY BETTER THAN WHAT MARK SAID. JUST AN OUTSTANDING  
22 EDUCATOR AND CONCERN FOR THE STUDENTS AND THE GRADUATION RATES  
23 FROM THE BEGINNING TO THE END. AND I JUST WANT TO WISH YOU THE  
24 VERY, VERY BEST AND CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR RETIREMENT. THANK  
25 YOU.



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2 **DAVID BURCHAM:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE VERY  
3 CONNECTED TO LOS ANGELES COUNTY AT THE UNIVERSITY AND AS  
4 SYMBOLIZED BY OUR CONNECTIONS WITH EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS.  
5 SUPERVISOR KUEHL OVER HERE USED TO BE ON OUR FACULTY AND AT  
6 THE LAW SCHOOL. AND SHE'S WELCOME BACK ANY TIME SHE WANTS TO  
7 REJOIN US, BUT SHE BETTER HURRY WITHIN FOUR DAYS BECAUSE I'M  
8 NO LONGER PRESIDENT AFTER FOUR DAYS. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS  
9 HAS BEEN JUST A GREAT FAN AND SUPPORTER OF THE UNIVERSITY, AS  
10 HAS SUPERVISOR KNABE. AND SUPERVISOR SOLIS, WHEN SHE WAS  
11 SECRETARY SOLIS, WAS RECENTLY ON OUR CAMPUS AS PART OF THE  
12 WHITE HOUSE ECONOMIC SUMMIT. SHE'S NO STRANGER TO US, AS WELL.  
13 SHE ALSO HIRED ONE OF OUR GREAT ALUMS RECENTLY MEGAN MORRET.  
14 AND FINALLY, MAYOR, THANK YOU SO MUCH. WE'VE GOTTEN TO KNOW  
15 EACH OTHER OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, A SUPPORTER OF HIGHER ED  
16 ACROSS ALL THE GREAT UNIVERSITIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUT  
17 L.M.U. IN PARTICULAR, SO THANK YOU SO MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW I WANT TO RECOGNIZE TWO VERY  
20 SPECIAL PEOPLE, TWO GREAT FRIENDS WHO HAVE DONE SO MUCH IN  
21 PHILANTHROPY AND SERVING OUR COMMUNITY AND THAT'S DR. GEORGE  
22 AND ZEHRA SUN. DR. SUN HAS BEEN AWARDED A WINNING PLASTIC  
23 SURGEON BEEN RECOGNIZED BY THE BOARD OF FACIAL PLASTIC SURGERY  
24 AND THE BOARD OF OTOLARYNGOLOGY AS ONE OF THE NATION'S LEADING  
25 PHYSICIANS. HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR'S DEGREE FROM UNIVERSITY

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1 AND CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES AND HIS MEDICAL DEGREE FROM THE  
2 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND HEAD AND NECK SPECIALTY  
3 FROM RUTGERS UNIVERSITY. HE IS A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN  
4 ACADEMY COSMETIC SURGERY AND ACADEMY OF FACIAL PLASTIC AND  
5 RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGERY AND THE ACADEMY AUTO LARYNGOLOGY. WITH  
6 DR. SUN TODAY IS HIS BEAUTIFUL WIFE ZERAH, WHO IS AN  
7 ACCOMPLISHED ENTREPRENEUR AND C.E.O. OF M.D. SUN, A SUCCESSFUL  
8 SKIN CARE WITH MILLIONS OF USERS WORLDWIDE. AND ALSO THE  
9 C.E.O. OF THE ADVANCED AESTHETICS CENTER AND THE DIRECTOR OF  
10 THE WEST COVINA SOUTH HILLS ACADEMY WHICH IS ONE OF THE TOP  
11 PRIVATE SCHOOLS IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY AND WEST COVINA. I  
12 WANT TO THANK THEM BOTH. PLUS THEY ALWAYS HAVE THE TIME TO  
13 DEVOTE TO THEIR COMMUNITY, WHETHER IT'S RAISING FUNDS FOR THE  
14 ARCADIA METHODIST HOSPITAL AND FUNDS FOR THE VARIOUS YOUTH  
15 ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO I'LL  
16 GIVE YOU THE FIRST ONE AND GEORGE I'LL GIVE YOU THE SECOND  
17 ONE.

18

19 **DR. GEORGE SUN:** DEAR HONORARY MAYOR, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,  
20 DEAR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS AND THE GREAT  
21 CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES. WE ARE SO PRIVILEGED AND HONORED TO  
22 RECEIVE THIS SCROLL AS AN AWARD. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR GIVING  
23 US THIS RECOGNITION. WE'LL CONTINUE TO DO OUR BEST SERVING OUR  
24 PATIENTS AND ALSO OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

25 [APPLAUSE.]

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2 **ZEHRA SUN:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS AND MAYOR ANTONOVICH, DEAR  
3 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, DISTINGUISHED GUESTS AND THE GREAT  
4 CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES, WE ARE SO PRIVILEGED AND HONORED TO  
5 RECEIVE THESE SCROLLS AND AWARD. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR  
6 GIVING ME THIS RECOGNITION. WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO OUR BEST  
7 SERVING OUR PATIENTS AND ALSO OUR COMMUNITY. THANK YOU SO  
8 MUCH. [APPLAUSE]

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10 **ZEHRA SUN:** HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, AND MAYOR THANK YOU VERY  
11 MUCH FOR GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY. AS THE SUPPORTERS AND  
12 VOLUNTEERS FOR THE PAST 20 YEARS FROM SAN GABRIEL VALLEY'S  
13 HOSPITALS IN HUNTINGTON, CHINESE GARDEN, SAN MARINO LIBRARIES  
14 AND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY'S MANY HOSPITALS, I DO SHARE MY TIME  
15 AND STRENGTH WITH THE GREATEST PLEASURE AND WITH ALL THE  
16 CHARITY ORGANIZATIONS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE  
17 RECOGNITION. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL, DO YOU HAVE A  
20 PRESENTATION? NO. MARK? DON DOESN'T? OH, WE HAVE ARTHUR.  
21 ARTHUR IS HERE. HE'S 12 MONTHS OLD LOOKING FOR A HOME. THIS IS  
22 LITTLE ARTHUR. ARTHUR WANTS A HOME. CALL 562-256-1649 OR  
23 ANYBODY IN THE AUDIENCE WOULD LIKE TO ADOPT LITTLE ARTHUR.  
24 HE'D LOVE TO HAVE A NICE HOME. BUT YOU HAVE TO PROMISE TO PET  
25 HIM, LOVE HIM AND FEED HIM REGULARLY. ONLY 12 WEEKS OLD.

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1 LITTLE ARTHUR. HIS FRIENDS CALL HIM ART. SO ART OR ARTHUR,  
2 DOESN'T MATTER. THIS ONE NEEDS A HOME. MR. LUCAS, 13, 15, 26.  
3 NICOLE PARSON, 13, 31, 32, 34. VEE KAY, 13, 15, 34, 35-A. DR.  
4 GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL, 15, 26. GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. LUCAS.

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6 **ROBERT LUCAS:** HEY, WHAT'S HAPPENING?

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOT MUCH.

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10 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYBODY. YOU KNOW THERE'S A  
11 LOT OF THINGS GOING ON ALL OVER OUR COUNTRY. HOUSTON, BACK  
12 EAST, THE TORNADOES, YOU KNOW. NATURE'S AN OVERWHELMING FORCE.  
13 AND SOMETIMES THE REALITY OF IT IS BROUGHT TO OUR DOORSTEP. AS  
14 YOU KNOW, THE LAST 8, 10 MONTHS I'VE BEEN WORKING ALMOST ON A  
15 DAILY BASIS, SKID ROW, OTHER PARTS OF L.A. COUNTY WITH THE  
16 HOMELESS AND TRYING TO HELP MYSELF UNDERSTAND SOME SOLUTIONS.  
17 I KNOW THAT THE MEMBERS ON THIS BOARD HAVE PUT IN EXTENSIVE  
18 RESEARCH, AT LEAST THE PEOPLE THAT ANSWER TO YOU DO. AND I'VE  
19 COME TO REALIZE A COUPLE OF THINGS. IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO  
20 HAVE BOOTS ON THE GROUND DOWN THERE ON A DAILY BASIS. IT CAN  
21 BE VERY OVERWHELMING. THE DESPAIR, THE HOPELESSNESS, THE  
22 ADDICTION, THE MISTREATMENT, THE TRAUMA OF ONE'S CHILDHOOD CAN  
23 OVERWHELM ONE'S FUTURE. I'VE ALSO REALIZED WITH BEING AWARE OF  
24 SOME OF THE RESOURCES THAT THIS BOARD AND THE BOARD BEFORE HAS  
25 PROVIDED EVERY INDIVIDUAL THAT WALKS IN THIS GREAT COUNTY, ONE

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1    THING IS REQUIRED: TO BE WILLING TO DO WHAT IT TAKES TO TAKE  
2    BENEFIT OF THOSE RESOURCES. OUT OF 300 PEOPLE THAT I'VE WORKED  
3    WITH AND ENCOUNTERED OVER THE LAST 7-1/2 MONTHS, I'VE COME TO  
4    REALIZE AND THE HARSH REALITY IS THAT PEOPLE CHOOSE TO LIVE  
5    THAT WAY. FOR ONE SIMPLE REASON. THEY'RE COMPLACENT WITH WHERE  
6    THEY ARE. THEY DON'T LIKE THE WAY THEY FEEL. AND THE ONLY WAY  
7    THAT THEY KNOW HOW TO FIX IT IS TO CREATE SUCH CHAOS IN THEIR  
8    LIFE THAT THAT BECOMES THE NORM. AND IF YOU LOOK AT IT FROM  
9    THE OUTSIDE, IT'S AN ORCHESTRATED PATH OF SUICIDE. THE REASON  
10   WHY I BRING THIS TO YOU IS BECAUSE THAT WAS MY LIFE. I  
11   UNDERSTAND THAT NOW. NOBODY HAD THE ANSWERS FOR ME. BECAUSE I  
12   WASN'T WILLING TO TRUST IN THE PERSON GIVING ME THAT ADVICE.  
13   THAT HAS NOT HIT ME ANY HARDER THAN IT HAS IN THE LAST SEVEN  
14   MONTHS BECAUSE PEOPLE LOOK AT ME NOW DOWN THERE THE WAY I USED  
15   TO LOOK AT THEM.

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17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS. GENEVIEVE?

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19   **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
20   RDR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WILL ADDRESS ITEM 15 AND 27 HAVING  
21   TO DO WITH THE HOMELESS. LAST WEEK, I READ SOME VERY  
22   INTERESTING ARTICLE FROM THE STATE OF UTAH WHICH SEEM TO HAVE  
23   DONE A FANTASTIC CORRECTION OF THEIR HOMELESS. AND I WILL  
24   HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU LOOK AT WHAT THEY HAVE DONE BECAUSE  
25   THEY HAVE REDUCED THE TOTAL OF HOMELESSNESS TO ALMOST FROM

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1 MANY THOUSAND DOWN TO 700. SO I THINK YOU LOOK VERY SERIOUSLY  
2 AT IT. AND THEY APPROACH HAS BEEN TO PROVIDE THEM WITH LODGING  
3 IMMEDIATELY WITHOUT HAVING THEM TO GO TO LOOK TO MAKE SOME  
4 CORRECTIONS AND THEY HAVE BENCH MORE SUCCESSFUL. SO I THINK  
5 YOU SHOULD REALLY LOOK AT THAT. ALSO, I HAVE ASKED ON REPEATED  
6 BASIS TO GET EVERYTHING HAVING TO DO WITH COMMUNITY PARTNER,  
7 HOW THEY HAVE BEEN HIRED. FOR HELPING WITH THE SO-CALLED  
8 INTEGRATION OF THE AGENCY. MISS SACHI HAMAI TOLD ME I HAD SENT  
9 IT TO THE WRONG ADDRESS, SO I WILL MAKE SURE THAT IT IS TO THE  
10 RIGHT ADDRESS. I GIVE IT IN PERSON TO ALL OF YOU SUPERVISORS.  
11 AND I MADE IT ORALLY TWICE BEFORE. SO I WANT IMMEDIATE  
12 RESPONSE ON THIS ONE. I'D LIKE TO KNOW HOW MUCH MONEY HAS BEEN  
13 ALLOCATED ON THE BUDGET, HOW MUCH MONEY HAS BEEN SPENT SO FAR.  
14 I THINK THEY HAVE DONE A LOUSY JOB. AND THE WAYS THEY HAVE  
15 ADVERTISED THOSE SO-CALLED [INAUDIBLE] VERY FEW PEOPLE COME  
16 BECAUSE THEY HAVE NOT BEEN ADVERTISED AT THE RIGHT PLACE. AND  
17 CERTAINLY THEY WOULD [INAUDIBLE] TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. WHEN  
18 YOU LOOK AT THE LEASES OF THE PEOPLE THEY HAVE CONTACTED, WITH  
19 ALL THE COMMISSION OF THE COUNTY EXCEPT THE COMMISSION OF  
20 DISABILITY. I DON'T KNOW WHY THIS ONE LEFT OUT. AND S.E.I.U.  
21 SO I THINK THE PUBLIC SHOULD BE INVOLVED IN THIS CASE.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, GENEVIEVE. THANK YOU. THANK  
24 YOU.

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1 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: I'M COMING BACK TO 35-B?

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3 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: YES.

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5 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: THANK YOU.

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7 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: LET ME ALSO CALL UP BEFORE WE GO TO

8 NICOLE IN LANCASTER, HERMAN HERMAN, ERIC PREVEN, ARNOLD SACHS

9 AND VEE KAY. NICOLE, ARE YOU THERE?

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11 NICOLE PARSON: YES.

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13 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: GOOD AFTERNOON, NICOLE.

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15 NICOLE PARSON: GOOD AFTERNOON, MIKE. RIGHT?

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17 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: RIGHT. OKAY. YOU'RE ON.

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19 NICOLE PARSON: I'M ON?

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21 SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR: ON THE ITEMS YOU HELD, YES.

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23 NICOLE PARSON: I CAN'T HEAR. I DON'T KNOW WHAT ITEM NUMBER.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'LL START UP AGAIN. YOU CAN TALK ON  
2    THOSE ITEMS YOU HELD TO SPEAK ON.

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4    **NICOLE PARSON:** I'M SORRY. WHICH ITEM ARE WE ON, THOUGH?

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6    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU HELD ITEM 13, 31, 32 AND 34.

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8    **NICOLE PARSON:** OKAY, YES, SIR. BUT THEY'RE UNDER DIFFERENT  
9    HEADINGS. SO I BROUGHT 13 TO 14 THROUGH 17 AND 31 TO 32 AND 34  
10   BECAUSE THEY ARE DIFFERENT SUBJECTS.

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12   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** JUST BE QUICK.

13

14   **NICOLE PARSON:** OKAY, THE HOME PROGRAM? OKAY. I WON'T OPPOSE  
15   THIS TIME BUT I THINK BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO STOP PROGRESS.  
16   SOME OF THE ALLOCATION, THE 42 MILLION IS FROM THE COMMUNITY  
17   DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, WHICH ORIGINATED HERE IN LANCASTER IS  
18   NOT THE SAME. AND I KNOW I'M PART -- THE DESIGNATED PROGRAM.  
19   AND SO I'M GOING TO LET IT GO AHEAD AND JUST GO TO CERRITOS  
20   AND WE'RE NOT READY HERE WE'RE ACTUALLY WORKING ON SOMETHING  
21   DIFFERENT. AND THEN IT'S GOING TO BE REPAID OR FROM THE  
22   COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT AND THAT DOESN'T GIVE HOMES  
23   TO NOBODY. THAT'S COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT. AND WE CANNOT CHANGE  
24   THE DIRECTIVE BECAUSE IT'S NOT GIVING HOMES TO ANYONE. AND THE  
25   HOMELESS PROGRAM OVER HERE, IT ONLY GIVES A COUPLE DAYS AT THE

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1 SHELTER WHEN THEY'RE ACTUALLY SUPPOSED TO PUT US IN HOMES.  
2 AND, OKAY, AND THEN IF THE DISABILITY LANCASTER ORDINANCE  
3 DISCRIMINATES. ANY OF THE ORDINANCES, THE WATER ORDINANCES,  
4 THOSE ARE DISCRIMINATIVE, THEY'RE MIXING THE SEWER WATER AND I  
5 THINK IT WAS DESIGNATED PROGRAM ON THAT, TOO. SO PLEASE DON'T  
6 -- THAT WATER THING, THERE'S LIKE 90 PEOPLE HERE. PLEASE DON'T  
7 DO THAT YET. AND THEN ALSO ABOUT THE -- OKAY. THROUGH MAY 20TH  
8 THROUGH JUNE 10TH, MARCH 20TH THROUGH JUNE 10TH, PLEASE WASTE  
9 WATER AS MUCH AS YOU CAN. AND WHEN YOU SEE CLOUDS IN THE SKY,  
10 DON'T WATER. AND IT'S ONLY FOR THE WESTERN PART OF THE UNITED  
11 STATES IS BECAUSE OUR WORLD IS CHANGING. AND SOME PLACES FLOOD  
12 AND STUFF RIGHT NOW. SO IN THE WESTERN PART OF THE UNITED  
13 STATES, PLEASE WASTE WATER AS MUCH AS YOU CAN. AND JUST SPRING  
14 CLEAN. AND THE SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS, SOMETHING ABOUT THE SAFE  
15 NEIGHBORHOODS JUST DON'T GIVE LANCASTER FIFTH DISTRICT ANY  
16 ALLOCATIONS BECAUSE THEY ARE VERY DISCRIMINATIVE. I HAVE ALL  
17 THE ORDINANCES.

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU, NICOLE.

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21 **NICOLE PARSON:** THE GOVERNOR, THE DIRECTIVE PROGRAM.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] MR. HERMAN

24 HERMAN. [GAVEL.]

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1   **ERIC PREVEN:** YES. ERIC PREVEN, RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. TODAY  
2   IS A VERY BUSY DAY. YOU HAVE A VERY BIG HOUSE. I'LL TRY TO BE  
3   BRIEF. THANK YOU FOR THE JUNIOR GOLF PROGRAM. WE DO LOVE THAT.  
4   I WOULD BE MORE CAUTIOUS, THOUGH, ABOUT ITEM, I GUESS IT'S THE  
5   GOLF ITEM THAT HAS TO DO WITH NORWALK, PICKING UP THE GOLF  
6   ASSET OUT OF NORWALK THE REASON WHY I'M WORRIED ABOUT IT IS  
7   THEY OFFER GOLF AT A VERY, VERY LOW RATE WHICH I LOVE BECAUSE  
8   WE WANT GOLF TO BE ACCESSIBLE. I'M ANXIOUS THAT WE WILL TURN  
9   IT INTO SOMETHING WE DON'T NEED WHICH IS RATE HIKES. ONE OF  
10   THE CONTRACTORS WE USE ON A REGULAR BASIS HAS HIKED THE RATES  
11   AGAIN. WE WANT GOLF TO REMAIN AT AN AFFORDABLE PRICE ON OUR  
12   COUNTY GOLF COURSES. ITEM S-1 WAS DELAYED OR CONTINUED. THIS  
13   HAD TO DO WITH THE JAIL MASTER PLAN. THERE WAS A VERY  
14   COMPELLING PIECE IN THE "NEW YORK TIMES" IN THE SUNDAY  
15   NEWSPAPER TALKING ABOUT ENDING MASS INCARCERATION. MAYOR  
16   ANTONOVICH YOU KNOW IT'S BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE. WE'VE GOT  
17   SOROS IN TERMS OF BIG FINANCIERS. HILLARY CLINTON AND JEB BUSH  
18   ON BOTH SIDES OF THE AISLE PEOPLE ARE REALIZING THIS IS NOT A  
19   GOOD INVESTMENT. SO S-1 IS OFF WITH THE JAIL PLAN AND  
20   A.E.C.O.M., WHICH IS A BIG COMPANY WORKING ON IT THEY'LL COME  
21   BACK. BUT WHAT REALLY HAS TO HAPPEN AND MAYBE THAT IS  
22   HAPPENING THANKS TO MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WHO IS IN A SMALL  
23   CONSULTATION OVER THERE IS WE WILL REDUCE THE SIZE OF THE JAIL  
24   PLAN HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. WE DON'T NEED A JAIL LIKE  
25   THAT. WE NEED TO BE DIVERTING PEOPLE FROM THAT PROGRAM. AND

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1    TODAY AN ITEM WHERE YOU'RE FARMING OUT OF THE ONE OF THE  
2    HOMELESS COURTS. WE HAVE ONE HOMELESS LITTLE COURT THAT WE ARE  
3    WORKING ON. WE WILL SEND IT OVER TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES TO  
4    MONITOR IT. IT'S AN M.O.U. WITH THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES MR.  
5    SALDINO, YOU REMEMBER MIKE FEUER. THOSE GUYS ARE GOING TO TAKE  
6    OVER. PUBLIC COUNSEL WILL BE STEPPING AWAY. ONE CONCERN THERE  
7    IS THAT THEY DO NOT RUN A PARTICULARLY FRIENDLY OPERATION AS  
8    CITATIONS, FINES AND PENALTIES, SO I WOULD ENCOURAGE  
9    SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO MONITOR VERY CLOSELY THAT THEY ARE IN FACT  
10    PURSUING THE PROGRAM IN THE WAY WE WANT IT PURSUED AND NOT IN  
11    THE SORT OF PERNICIOUS WAY THAT XEROX AND SOME OF THEIR  
12    PARTNERS HAVE BEEN ADVISING. THEY HAVE A WHOLE NEW SCOPE OF  
13    WORK ZONE CALLED THE ADMINISTRATIVE CITATION PROGRAM THAT IS  
14    ACE ENFORCEMENT. BUT IT IS NOT NICE AT ALL. AND ITEM -- THAT  
15    WAS ITEM 13, F.Y.I. AND IN CONCLUSION, I GUESS I WOULD JUST  
16    SIMPLY SAY THAT IF WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A BUDGET HEARING LIKE  
17    TODAY LIKE ITEM S-2, WE OUGHT TO PUBLISH THE DOCUMENTATION.  
18    BECAUSE YOU PROBABLY ARE AS FRUSTRATED AS I AM. THERE'S  
19    NOTHING TO LOOK AT FOR S-2. AND I ASSUME THAT'S THE REASON WHY  
20    IT'S BEEN CONTINUED. SO HOPEFULLY WE CAN GET A LOOK AT THAT  
21    AND CONTINUE TO FIND WHERE ONE LITTLE DETAIL IS THE LAST YEARS  
22    WE HAVE HEARD REGULARLY FROM BILL FUJIOKA ABOUT THE  
23    EXTRAORDINARY BOND RATING HERE IN L.A. COUNTY. TODAY WE HAVE  
24    HEARD NOTHING ABOUT IT.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVEN'T STARTED THE MEETING YET. SO  
2    YOU WILL HEAR ABOUT THEM.

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4    **ERIC PREVEN:** WE DO HAVE IS THERE A SPECIAL BUDGET MEETING  
5    TODAY?

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7    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO. THE QUESTION IS GOING TO BE ASKED.

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9    **ERIC PREVEN:** OKAY. GOOD. THANK YOU.

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11    **HERMAN HERMAN:** MR. MAYOR, GOOD AFTERNOON. LADIES AND  
12    GENTLEMEN, I WANT TO SALUTE OUR VETERANS. THANK YOU FOR  
13    SUPPORTING OUR COUNTRY BECAUSE WE CARE. [APPLAUSE.] WE CARE.  
14    WE CARE, OUR VETERANS. ITEM 15 --

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16    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE DON'T ALLOW APPLAUSE. IF YOU WANT  
17    TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT, JUST LIFT THE ROOF.

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19    **HERMAN HERMAN:** IN REGARD TO ITEM 15 BY SUPERVISOR MISS SHEILA,  
20    WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SOME MONIES HERE WHICH I WON'T GO INTO  
21    CLOSURE ON WITH IF DISTRICT HOMELESS PREVENTION INITIATIVE.  
22    WHATEVER THAT MEANS, I DON'T KNOW BECAUSE I'M FINDING MANY  
23    HOMELESS PEOPLE ON THE STREETS OF LOS ANGELES IN THE GOLDEN  
24    STATE OF CALIFORNIA TODAY. AND I FIND IT MENTALLY CHALLENGING  
25    THAT WE AS THE SUPERVISORS, THE COUNTY CANNOT ENFORCE THE

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1 CITIES TO DO MORE ON THE POPULATION OF HOMELESSNESS ESPECIALLY  
2 IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. BUT IN REGARDS TO THAT, I WANT TO  
3 GO TO ITEM NOW NUMBER 34, THE ORDINANCE OF ADOPTION TO  
4 SALARIES BY THE RESTORING, ESTABLISHING ONE EMPLOYEE'S  
5 CLASSIFICATION TO DELEGATE FIVE NON-PAYABLE, UNDERPAID JOBS AT  
6 PARKS AND RECREATION. AND IT EVEN MENTIONS HERE MENTAL HEALTH.  
7 HOW MANY TIMES HAVE I ADVOCATED ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC INTEREST,  
8 OUR VETERANS, OUR HOMELESS POPULATION WHO DESERVE MORE  
9 ADMINISTRATIVE ACCOUNTABILITY TO PRESERVE THEIR HEALTH AND  
10 SAFETY IN THE STREETS OF CALIFORNIA AND THE CITY OF LOS  
11 ANGELES MORE SO. IN MY DISTRICT, YOUR DISTRICT, ALL OUR  
12 DISTRICTS, THE PEOPLE, WE CARE. WE CARE. AND SO IN ALL HONEST  
13 REMARKS, BECAUSE ARNOLD CAN'T TAKE THE PUNCHES I THROW IN  
14 SUPPORT OF HOMELESSNESS, I SAY TO YOU, MR. MAYOR, THE  
15 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT ENCOMPASSES ALL PEOPLE, NOT  
16 JUST OUR VETERANS, NOT JUST OUR MENTAL HEALTH PEOPLE THIS IS  
17 STREETS IN THE COUNTY, EVERYONE WHO'S IMPACTED WITH THE  
18 ADVERSE IMPACT OF BEING MENTALLY CHALLENGED IN THIS 20TH  
19 CENTURY. BECAUSE AGAIN ITEM 15 IS A VERY IMPORTANT SUBJECT  
20 MATTER TO THE COUNTY. AND I DEMAND ACTION TO INVESTIGATE HOW  
21 THE BUDGET WILL IMPACT THOSE IN THE DISTRICT OF HOMELESSNESS  
22 PREVENTION INITIATIVE. OVER AND OVER YOU HEARD THE OUTCRY OF  
23 THE PUBLIC. "STOP, STOP HARMING OUR HOMELESS PEOPLE". I CLOSE  
24 MY TIME TO YOU, MR. MAYOR, AND THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY.  
25 GOOD NIGHT. MR. SACHS? [APPLAUSE.]



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2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING -- GOOD AFTERNOON.

3 I ACTUALLY ONLY HELD THREE ITEMS. ONE WAS AN APPOINTMENT BY

4 YOU, MISS KUEHL. WOULD THAT BE ED REYES, EX-CITY COUNCILMAN

5 FROM THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES FOR THIS RIVER COMMISSION?

6 BECAUSE HERE'S A FLIER THAT I GOT FROM THE FOOTHILL EXTENSION

7 NEWS DATED DECEMBER 2009. IT REFERS TO THE GOLD LINE, METRO

8 GOLD LINE FOOTHILL EXTENSION CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. AND IT

9 HAS ED P. REYES SECOND VICE CHAIR, COUNCILMEMBER, CITY OF LOS

10 ANGELES. IT ALSO HAS BILL BOGAARD AND ANOTHER PERSON YOU MIGHT

11 HAVE HEARD OF HABIB BAILIAN WHO IS PROSECUTING ATTORNEY FOR

12 COUNTY COUNSEL OR FOR THE COUNTY D.A.'S OFFICE. BUT WHAT'S

13 REALLY INTERESTING ABOUT THAT IS THE GOLD LINE CONSTRUCTION

14 AUTHORITY THAT MR. REYES WAS SITTING ON WASN'T CREATED BY

15 STATE LEGISLATION UNTIL 2011. SO HOW COULD HE BE THERE IN

16 2009? JUST A CURIOSITY BECAUSE, YOU'RE EVEN MENTIONING IN THIS

17 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MOLINA FROM MARCH 25, 2010, S.B.504,

18 KUEHL WAS ADOPTED IN 2003 TO CREATE THE EXPOSITION METRO LINE

19 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. DOWN AT THE BOTTOM IT SAYS THE

20 LEGISLATION CREATED THE PASADENA METRO BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION

21 AUTHORITY IN 1998. YOU MIGHT HAVE VOTED ON THAT. HOW DID IT

22 BECOME THE GOLD LINE? HOW DO ELECTED OFFICIALS GET ON THE GOLD

23 LINE? IT IS A TRUST. TURNS OUT IT'S A TRUST. IT ISN'T A TRUST.

24 SO WHAT IS IT? SO IF YOU'RE PUTTING PEOPLE ON, MAYBE IT'S

25 ANOTHER PARALLEL UNIVERSE. COULD YOU EXPLAIN THAT? I DON'T

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1 KNOW. IT'S ONLY METRO MONEY. THEN I HELD 28 DEALS WITH PARKS  
2 FUNDS, THE PROPOSITION. AND I JUST WANTED TO READ THAT. IT  
3 MENTIONS HERE NOVEMBER 3, 1992, THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
4 VOTED TO APPROVE LOS ANGELES COUNTY PROP A SAFE NEIGHBORHOOD  
5 PARKS GANG PREVENTION, TREE PLANTING, SENIOR AND YOUTH  
6 RECREATION, BEACHES AND WILDLIFE PROTECTION PROP A. IT DOESN'T  
7 SAY ANYTHING ABOUT GOLF COURSES. SO HOW CAN YOU SPEND 15  
8 MILLION ON A GOLF COURSE THERE, SUPERVISOR KNABE? DOESN'T SAY  
9 ANYTHING. CAN PEOPLE GO THERE TO PLAY, USE IT AS A PARK? I  
10 DOUBT IT. AND WHERE WAS THE MONEY FOR THE GANG PREVENTION?  
11 IT'S EXCESSIVE FUNDS. HOW DO YOU GET EXCESSIVE FUNDS? YOU  
12 DON'T HAVE MONEY FOR GANGS. YOU DON'T HAVE MONEY FOR TREE  
13 PLANTINGS. SENIOR AND YOUTH RECREATION? I'VE NEVER SEEN AN  
14 ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA REGARDING EXCESSIVE FUND FOR SENIOR  
15 PLANNING, YOUTH RECREATION, GANG PREVENTION. THERE IS NO  
16 EXCESSIVE FUNDS BUT THERE'S EXCESSIVE FUNDS FOR A GOLF COURSE.  
17 THERE'S EXCESSIVE FUNDS FOR THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL. SPEAKING OF  
18 WHICH, WHY DOES THE COUNTY HAVE EXCESSIVE FUNDS AND THE CITY  
19 HAS AN OUTSIDE OPERATOR.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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23 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** THE FOLLOWING ITEMS ARE  
24 BEFORE YOU. ITEM 1-P, 12, 13, 15, 16, 17, 26. ON ITEM 28,

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1 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINS. ITEM 30, 31, 32, 34 AND 35-  
2 A.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECOND,  
5 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM ONE ON OUR PUBLIC HEARING  
6 AND FIRST ALL TO BE SWORN IN WHO'S TESTIFYING.

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8 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** WOULD ALL THOSE WHO ARE  
9 TESTIFYING BEFORE THE BOARD PLEASE RISE? AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT  
10 HAND. ON ITEMS NUMBER 1 THROUGH 11, ON THESE ITEMS THAT ARE  
11 BEFORE YOU, ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY IN THE TESTIMONY YOU  
12 MAY GIVE BEFORE THE BOARD DO YOU SOLEMNLY AFFIRM TO TELL THE  
13 TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH SO HELP YOU  
14 GOD? THANK YOU. YOU MAY BE SEATED.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NUMBER 1.

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18 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON ITEM 1, THIS IS A  
19 HEARING ON THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE ANNUAL REPORT FOR FISCAL  
20 YEAR '15/'16 FOR THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT.  
21 THE MARINA SEWER AND MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, THE CUMULATIVE  
22 CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND, AND THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE  
23 DISTRICT ZONES. THERE IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS ITEM.  
24 NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND THERE ARE MEMBERS OF THE  
25 PUBLIC WHO WISH TO SPEAK.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CAN WE GET THE MICROPHONE ON FOR OUR  
3 DEPARTMENT?

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5 **NICHOLAS AGBOBU:** MY NAME IS NICHOLAS AGBOBU AND I AM A SENIOR  
6 CIVIL ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM  
7 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL SEWER  
8 SERVICE CHARGE REPORT FOR THE CONSOLIDATED AND MARINA SEWER  
9 MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 AND CONTINUING  
10 TO COLLECT THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES ON THE TAX ROLLS. ALL  
11 CHARGES WILL REMAIN AT THEIR EXISTING RATES FOR THE COLLECTION  
12 OF THE ADDITIONAL ANNUAL ZONE CHARGE, SEWER SERVICE CHARGE OF  
13 \$10 FOR SEWAGE IN THE [INAUDIBLE] ZONE WILL BE SUSPENDED FOR  
14 FISCAL YEARS 2015-2016 THROUGH 2019-2020. THE REPORT ON THIS  
15 SEWER CHARGES WAS PREPARED BY MY OFFICE UNDER MY DIRECTION. IN  
16 MY OPINION, THESE SEWER CHARGES HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED. IN  
17 MY OPINION, IT IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO CONTINUE TO  
18 COLLECT THE ENTIRE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES ON THE TAX ROLL  
19 BECAUSE IT PROVIDES FOR THE MOST ORDERLY AND COST-EFFECTIVE  
20 COLLECTION OF SEWER CHARGES FROM AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY QUESTIONS? WE HAVE TWO PUBLIC  
23 SPEAKERS. HERMAN HERMAN AND ARNOLD SACHS.

24

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1   **HERMAN HERMAN:** MR. MAYOR, AS I OBSERVE THIS PROPOSAL FOR A  
2   SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, SHOULDN'T ALL ALONG THE COUNTY,  
3   ALONG WITH MUNICIPALITIES OF THE SMALLER LOCAL GOVERNMENT OF  
4   OUR CITIES, SHOULD HAVE ACQUIRED SOME STANDARD TO AN  
5   INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WOULD PREVENT FAILURE OF SEWERS? OR EVEN  
6   PREVENT PIPES EROSION, CORROSION, ET CETERA, ET CETERA? WE,  
7   THE TAXPAYERS, WHETHER WE'RE IN A SMALL CITY OR IN THE COUNTY,  
8   DEMAND AN ACTION THAT REALLY LOOKS INTO THE MAINTENANCE ISSUE  
9   HERE. HOW MANY TIMES HAVE WE HEARD OF A FAILURE OF  
10  INFRASTRUCTURE THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY? JUST RECENTLY IN L.A.  
11  COUNTY WE HAD A PROBLEM. ARE WE GOING TO CONTINUE THIS TYPE OF  
12  BUSINESS ON BEHALF OF YOUR TAXPAYERS, THE RATE PAYERS. D.W.P.  
13  DOESN'T CARE BECAUSE THEY KEEP RAISING ALL OF YOUR WATER BILLS  
14  TO REPAIR AND FIX INFRASTRUCTURE BY BONDS AND GRANTS. IS IT  
15  REALLY NECESSARY? WHO'S ACCOUNTABLE FOR THIS TYPE OF POOR  
16  MAINTENANCE, POOR RECRUITMENT TO FIX, ALTER AND REPAIR OUR  
17  SEWERS. AND HOW DOES IT IMPACT THE COMMUNITIES? WELL, IT  
18  IMPACTS THEM IN ONE WAY IN THIS CONDITION. THAT WHEN YOU TEAR  
19  UP A STREET, YOU TEAR UP A SIDEWALK, YOU ALTER ACCESS FOR  
20  THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE DISABLED, YOU DETOUR THEM. NOW IF YOU HAD  
21  A STANDARD PLAN, A PROGRAM THAT WORKS BY PREVENTION, THEN THE  
22  SITUATION OF MAINTENANCE FOR SEWERS IN ANY DISTRICT WILL BE  
23  RESOLVED AND THE TAXPAYERS WOULDN'T HAVE TO CONCUR WITH ALL  
24  THE SEWAGE AND RELATED AREAS IN ZONES FOR FUNDS INSUFFICIENT

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1 OFFSET BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. DO WE GET IT? STOP THE  
2 NONSENSE. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. SACHS?

5

6 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. AND JUST A FEW  
7 THINGS. YOUR REPRESENTATIVE MENTIONED THE DISTRICTS AND THE  
8 ZONES, BUT HE REALLY KIND OF DIDN'T TOUCH ON THE AN  
9 ACCUMULATED CAPITAL OUTLAY FUND FOR THE SEWER DISTRICT. THE  
10 MARINA SEWER DISTRICT AND THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE  
11 DISTRICT. AND THAT BEING SAID, WHY ARE THERE TWO DIFFERENT  
12 KINDS OF DISTRICTS? WHY ISN'T IT ONE CONSOLIDATED SEWER  
13 MAINTENANCE DISTRICT? WHAT MAKES THE MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE  
14 DISTRICT DIFFERENT THAN THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE  
15 DISTRICT? AND THE ZONE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE OR THE ZONE  
16 SEWERS, ZONES THAT ARE USED IN THIS ITEM FOR THE ANETA ZONE.  
17 ARE THERE OTHER ZONES WITHIN THE COUNTY? ARE THEY OVERLAPPING  
18 THE MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS? DO THE MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS  
19 OVERLAP THE ZONE? IS THERE -- IS THAT INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO  
20 THE PUBLIC SO THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO KNOW THAT? YOU JUST PUT  
21 THIS STUFF OUT AND KIND OF GLOSS OVER THIS. SO TRYING TO GET  
22 PEOPLE EDUCATED ABOUT WHAT COULD AMOUNT TO HUNDREDS OF  
23 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS ESPECIALLY IN AN ACCUMULATED CAPITAL  
24 OUTLAY FUNDS. I'M SURE THERE'S FUNDING MADE AVAILABLE FOR  
25 CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR SEWAGE. WASN'T THERE A SEWAGE PIPELINE

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1 THAT WAS GOING TO BE BUILT THROUGH THE WEST SIDE OF LOS  
2 ANGELES GOING TO THE L.A.D.W.P. PLANT AT HYPERION? HOW DID  
3 THAT END UP WORKING OUT? THAT WAS A HUGE PROJECT THAT WAS  
4 GOING TO BE AUTHORIZED BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. SO A LITTLE  
5 MORE INFORMATION SHOULD BE FORTHCOMING ON THESE ITEMS. AND  
6 JUST CURIOSITY YOU HAVE MULTIPLE WATER WORK DISTRICTS. YOU  
7 HAVE MULTIPLE SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS. AND WHY IS THAT?

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **CLERK LORAYNE LINGET:** MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD A  
12 DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTESTS EXIST  
13 AGAINST THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE  
14 CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT ZONE. AS A RESULT, IT  
15 WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO ADOPT THE REPORT AND  
16 ALLOW COLLECTION OF SEWER SERVICE CHARGES WITH THE ANNUAL  
17 PROPERTY TAXES FOR FISCAL YEAR '15/'16.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS MOVES AND  
20 I'LL SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

21

22 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON ITEM 2, THIS IS A  
23 HEARING ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PHASED WATER CONSERVATION  
24 PLAN ACTING AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE COUNTY WATERWORKS  
25 DISTRICT AND THE MARINA DEL REY SYSTEM DUE TO A WATER SHORTAGE



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1 THROUGHOUT THE STATE. ON THIS ITEM, THERE IS A DEPARTMENT  
2 STATEMENT. AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, MEMBERS OF THE  
5 BOARD. WE ARE ENTERING THE FOURTH YEAR OF AN UNPRECEDENTED  
6 DROUGHT IN CALIFORNIA. THE GOVERNOR AND THE STATE WATER  
7 RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD HAVE MOVED SWIFTLY TO RESPOND. THE  
8 STATE BOARD RECENTLY APPROVED MANDATORY WATER USE REDUCTIONS  
9 FOR ALL WATER RETAILERS IN CALIFORNIA, INCLUDING THE L.A.  
10 COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT. TODAY WE ARE BEFORE YOU TO  
11 RECOMMEND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PHASED WATER CONSERVATION PLAN  
12 FOR THE WATERWORKS DISTRICTS IN RESPONSE TO THE STATE BOARD'S  
13 REQUIREMENTS. WITH ME TODAY IS ADAM MARIKI MANAGER OF OUR  
14 COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICTS TO BRIEF YOU ON THE PHASED WATER  
15 CONSERVATION PLAN AND ITS IMPLEMENTATION.

16

17 **ADAM MARIKI:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU. MY NAME IS ADAM MARIKI  
18 THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF THE WATERWORKS DIVISION FOR THE  
19 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. TODAY WE ARE RECOMMENDING TO THE  
20 BOARD AS THE GOVERNING BODY FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
21 WATERWORKS DISTRICT AND THE MARINA DEL REY WATER SYSTEM TO  
22 CONSIDER THAT A WATER SHORTAGE EXISTS IN THE LOS ANGELES  
23 COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NUMBER 40, ANTELOPE VALLEY, 37  
24 ACTON, 36 VAL VERDE, 21 KAGEL CANYON AND 29 MALIBU AND THE  
25 MARINA WATER SYSTEM AND TO IMPLEMENT THE PHASED WATER

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1 CONSERVATION PLAN IN PART 5 OF THE DISTRICT RULES AND  
2 REGULATIONS. THIS ACTION IS BEING RECOMMENDED TO YOUR BOARD IN  
3 RESPONSE TO THE REGULATIONS ADOPTED BY THE STATE WATER  
4 RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD ON MAY 5, 2015 FOLLOWING THE  
5 GOVERNOR'S APRIL 1, 2015 DROUGHT EMERGENCY EXECUTIVE ORDER.  
6 THE ORDER CALLS FOR A STATEWIDE WATER CONSERVATION OF 25  
7 PERCENT FROM THE 2013 WATER USE. THE ADOPTED STATE DROUGHT  
8 REGULATION ASSIGNED A PERCENTAGE REDUCTION IN WATER USE TO  
9 EACH WATER SYSTEM IN THE STATE BASED ON THE SYSTEM'S GALLON-  
10 PER-CAPITA- PER DAY WATER USE DURING JULY 2014. SYSTEMS WITH  
11 HIGHER GALLON-PER-CAPITA-PER DAY ASSIGNED HIGHER PERCENTAGE  
12 REDUCTION REQUIREMENTS THAN SYSTEMS WITH LOWER GALLONS-PER-  
13 CAPITA-PER DAY. SMALL WATER SYSTEMS WITH 3,000 METERS OR LESS,  
14 SUCH AS WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 37 ACTON, 36 VAL VERDE AND 21  
15 KAGEL CANYON AND THE MARINA DEL REY WATER SYSTEMS ARE REQUIRED  
16 TO LIMIT OUTSIDE IRRIGATION TO NO MORE THAN TWO DAYS PER WEEK  
17 OR REDUCE THEIR WATER USE BY 25 PERCENT. WATERWORKS DISTRICT  
18 40 ANTELOPE VALLEY IS REQUIRED TO REDUCE ITS WATER USE BY 32  
19 PERCENT. AND WATERWORKS DISTRICT 29 MALIBU IS REQUIRED TO  
20 REDUCE ITS WATER USE BY 36 PERCENT. THE RECOMMENDATION IN  
21 FRONT OF YOUR BOARD CALLS FOR IMPLEMENTING THE DISTRICT'S  
22 PHASED WATER CONSERVATION PLAN AT PHASE 7 FOR WATERWORKS  
23 DISTRICT 40 AND AT PHASE 8 FOR WATERWORKS DISTRICT 29 TO MEET  
24 THE STATE'S MANDATED RESTRICTIONS AND TO REDUCE OUTDOOR  
25 IRRIGATION USE IN WATER WORK DISTRICT 21, 36 AND 37 AND THE

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1 MARINA DEL REY WATER SYSTEM TO NO MORE THAN TWO DAYS PER WEEK  
2 OR REDUCE USE BY 25 PERCENT FROM THE 2013 LEVELS. EACH  
3 CUSTOMER IN WATERWORKS DISTRICT 29 AND 40 IS GIVEN AN  
4 ALLOCATION FOR EACH BILLING PERIOD. AND THE BILLING PERIOD IS  
5 TWO MONTHS ACCORDING TO THE PHASED WATER CONSERVATION PLAN.  
6 ALLOCATION FOR CUSTOMERS WITH METER SIZES 1 INCH OR LESS,  
7 WHICH IS A TYPICAL METER SIZE FOR A RESIDENTIAL HOME, WILL BE  
8 THE AVERAGE WATER USE OVER THE ENTIRE WATER DISTRICT FOR ALL  
9 CUSTOMERS WITH THAT SIZE OF METERS. MINUS THE REQUIRED  
10 REDUCTION BY THE STATE, THE 32 PERCENT FOR WATERWORKS DISTRICT  
11 40 AND THE 36 PERCENT FOR WATERWORKS DISTRICT 29. ALLOCATIONS  
12 FOR CUSTOMERS WITH METER SIZES LARGER THAN 1 INCH WILL BE THE  
13 ACTUAL USE FOR THE SAME PERIOD IN 2013 REDUCED BY EITHER THE  
14 32 PERCENT OR THE 36 PERCENT. CUSTOMERS WHO STAYED WITHIN  
15 THEIR ALLOCATIONS WOULD BE CHARGED NORMAL WATER RATE IN THE  
16 PHASED WATER CONSERVATION PLAN. CUSTOMERS WHO EXCEED  
17 ALLOCATION WILL BE ASSESSED A SURCHARGE EQUIVALENT TO THE RATE  
18 FOR THE FIRST 15 PERCENT ABOVE THEIR ALLOCATION AND IS  
19 EQUIVALENT TO TWO TIMES THE RATE FOR ANYTHING OVER THE 15  
20 PERCENT. MANY DISTRICT CUSTOMERS ARE ALREADY MEETING THEIR  
21 ALLOCATIONS AND MANY MORE DO NOT EXCEED THEIR ALLOCATIONS BY  
22 MORE THAN 15 PERCENT. IN PAST DROUGHTS, DISTRICT CUSTOMERS  
23 RESPONDED POSITIVELY TO CALLS FOR CONSERVATION WITH UP TO 25  
24 PERCENT REDUCTION. AND WE EXPECT OUR CUSTOMERS TO DO THE SAME  
25 THIS TIME. WE WILL BE WORKING CLOSELY WITH OUR CUSTOMERS TO

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1    HELP THEM MEET THEIR ALLOCATIONS THROUGH IMPLEMENTING DISTRICT  
2    EXISTING CONSERVATION PROGRAMS SUCH AS REBATES FOR TURF  
3    REMOVAL, FREE WATER USE AUDIT, REBATE FOR EFFICIENT IRRIGATION  
4    NOZZLES AND CONTROLLERS AND HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES. THE MAJORITY  
5    OF WATER IS USED OUTSIDE THE HOME. AND MANY OF THESE  
6    CONSERVATION MEASURES WORK WELL TO REDUCE WATER USE. I HAVE  
7    THREE QUICK SLIDES. THE FIRST ONE BASICALLY SHOWS WHERE WITHIN  
8    THE COUNTY THE WATER WORK DISTRICTS ARE LOCATED, THE NUMBER OF  
9    METERS IN EACH WATER SYSTEM AND THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE SERVED:  
10   THE NEXT TWO SLIDES, ONE IS FOR WATER WORK DISTRICT 29,  
11   MALIBU, AND IT SHOWS THE GREEN IS THE CUSTOMERS WHO WILL STICK  
12   TO THE ALLOCATIONS THAT WE'LL BE GIVING TO HIM OR HER. THE  
13   YELLOW IS THE CUSTOMERS WHO WOULD EXCEED THE ALLOCATION BY 15  
14   PERCENT AND THE RED IS THE CUSTOMERS WHO WOULD EXCEED THE  
15   ALLOCATIONS BY MORE THAN 15 PERCENT ABOVE THE ALLOCATIONS  
16   AGAIN, THE NEXT SLIDE IS SIMILAR. IT IS FOR WATER WORK  
17   DISTRICT 40, THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
18   PATIENCE.

19

20   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK A COUPLE QUESTIONS.

21

22   **SPEAKER:** YES, SIR.

23

24   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU ARE REQUESTING TO IMPLEMENT A

25   PHASED WATER CONSERVATION PLAN IN THE DISTRICT 40 WHICH SERVES

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1 206,000 PEOPLE WITH 56,000 METERS, YOU CALCULATE THAT AN  
2 AVERAGE WATER USE FOR CUSTOMERS WHO HAVE A 1 INCH LINE AND AN  
3 AVERAGE WATER USE FOR CUSTOMERS WITH A LINE GREATER THAN 1  
4 INCH. SO IF CUSTOMERS STAY WITHIN THE DETERMINED AVERAGE WATER  
5 USE AND ONLY NEED TO COMPLY TO THE STATE'S MANDATORY 32  
6 PERCENT REDUCTION AND IF CUSTOMERS GO OVER THE DETERMINED  
7 AVERAGE, THEN THEY WOULD HAVE TO PAY DOUBLE FOR THE FIRST 15  
8 PERCENT OVER AND TRIPLE FOR ANY USE ABOVE 15 PERCENT? IS THAT  
9 CORRECT?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** YES, SIR.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS THIS A TEMPORARY CONSERVATION PLAN  
14 OR IS IT PERMANENT?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** IT'S A TEMPORARY CONSERVATION PLAN. THE STATE HAS IT  
17 NOW UNTIL FEBRUARY 28, 2016 AT WHICH POINT THE STATE WOULD RE-  
18 VISIT THE EMERGENCY WATER CONSERVATION REGULATION.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS THIS PROPOSAL ABOVE THE STATE PLAN?  
21 THESE REQUIREMENTS? IS IT ABOVE?

22

23 **SPEAKER:** THE STATE?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

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1

2 **SPEAKER:** NO, IT'S NOT. IT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE STATE  
3 REDUCTION REQUIRED FOR WATER- WORKS DISTRICT 40.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THERE IS AN ARTICLE TODAY IN THE AV  
6 PRESS THAT SAID RATE PAYERS WERE BEING ASKED TO CUT BACK UP TO  
7 80 PERCENT OF THEIR REGULAR USE. IS THAT ACCURATE?

8

9 **SPEAKER:** IF IT IS, IT WOULD BE FOR THE VERY, VERY HIGH USERS.  
10 BUT THAT'S AN INCREDIBLY HIGH REDUCTION.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT IS A HIGH USER?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** SO THE TARGET QUANTITY IS WHAT THE TARGET QUANTITY  
15 IS. AND THE REDUCTION OVERALL IN THE DISTRICT IS 32 PERCENT.  
16 SO A BIG CHUNK OF THE CUSTOMERS ALREADY MEET THE ALLOCATIONS.  
17 AND A GOOD NUMBER EXCEED THE ALLOCATIONS BETWEEN 1 AND 15  
18 PERCENT, NOW THERE ARE OR THERE MAY BE SOME USERS THAT EXCEEDS  
19 THE ALLOCATION BY SAY 40 PERCENT, 50 PERCENT OR EVEN HIGHER,  
20 THAT'S POSSIBLE. BUT THAT MEANS THAT THE HISTORICAL USE IN  
21 2013 WAS MUCH, MUCH, MUCH HIGHER FOR THE SIZE OF THE METER OF  
22 1 INCH OR SMALLER THAN THE AVERAGE OVER THE ENTIRE WATER  
23 DISTRICT.

24

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT IS A HIGH USER? IS IT A PERSON  
2    WHO TAKES AN EXTRA SHOWER?

3

4    **SPEAKER:** IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, 70 PERCENT OF WATER USE IS  
5    OUTDOOR. SO AN EXTRA SHOWER IS NOT GOING TO MAKE AN INDIVIDUAL  
6    A HIGH USER.

7

8    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO BASICALLY THE HIGH USER ARE ALL OF  
9    THOSE WHO USE WATER FOR OUTDOOR SHRUBBERY, COULD IT BE FOR  
10   AGRICULTURE?

11

12   **SPEAKER:** WE DO NOT HAVE AGRICULTURE CUSTOMERS. BUT POSSIBLY  
13   LARGE LANDSCAPED AREAS.

14

15   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** BASICALLY LANDSCAPING?

16

17   **SPEAKER:** YES, YES, SUPERVISOR.

18

19   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND IN DOLLARS, HOW MUCH WOULD A  
20   PERSON WITH A 1 INCH LINE WHICH EXCEEDS THE 15 PERCENT  
21   EXPECTED TO PAY?

22

23   **SPEAKER:** I ACTUALLY HAVE THAT I BELIEVE IN THE -- SO FOR WATER  
24   WORK DISTRICT 40, IF A CUSTOMER STAYED WITHIN THEIR  
25   ALLOCATIONS, THE BILL WOULD BE \$78. IF A CUSTOMER USES --



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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE CURRENT BILL IS \$78?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** UNDER THE PHASED WATER CONSERVATION, NORMAL RATE,  
5 WHICH IS THE NORMAL RATE OF TODAY, YES, \$78. IF THE CUSTOMER  
6 USES 15 PERCENT MORE THAN THE ALLOCATION, THAT BILL WOULD GO  
7 UP FROM \$78 TO \$93 OVER A TWO-MONTH PERIOD.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO A \$15 INCREASE.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** OR \$7.50 PER MONTH.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A NUMBER OF SPEAKERS.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE A NUMBER OF QUESTIONS. MR. MAYOR?

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK SUPERVISOR KUEHL, THEN I  
18 WILL ASK SUPERVISOR KNABE. HER HAND WAS FIRST.

19

20 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I HAVE A COUPLE  
21 QUESTIONS. WE HAVE ABOUT 250,000 CUSTOMERS IN ALL OF OUR  
22 COUNTY AREAS OUT OF THE 10 MILLION PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY,  
23 RIGHT?

24

25 **SPEAKER:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

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1

2 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO I COULD CONCLUDE FROM THAT THAT THE BULK  
3 OF THE PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY ARE IN CITIES THAT ARE ALSO BEING  
4 ASKED TO CUT BACK ON THEIR USE, IS THAT CORRECT?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** TO YOUR KNOWLEDGE, ARE MANY OF THE CITIES  
9 DOING THAT?

10

11 **SPEAKER:** THE STATE REGULATIONS REQUIRES ALL URBAN WATER USERS,  
12 THOSE ARE THE ONES THAT SERVE 3,000 CONNECTIONS OR METERS OR  
13 MORE, TO REDUCE THEIR WATER USE BY TARGETED AMOUNTS AND THEN  
14 IMPLEMENT RESTRICTIONS. SO I'VE HEARD AND READ LIKE EVERYBODY  
15 ELSE, THERE ARE SOME WATER AGENCIES THAT HAVE ALREADY  
16 IMPLEMENTED THEIR PHASED WATER CONSERVATIONS. BUT I CAN'T TELL  
17 YOU DEFINITELY HOW MANY.

18

19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I GUESS MY POINT REALLY IS AN OBVIOUS ONE,  
20 WHICH IS THAT WE'RE NOT IN THIS ALONE EVEN IN THE COUNTY. I  
21 MEAN, WE'RE IN CHARGE OF A QUARTER OF A MILLION CLIENTS, OR  
22 WATER USERS. AND THE MILLIONS OF OTHERS ARE SERVED BY OTHER  
23 WATER AGENCIES ARE ALSO UNDER THESE REQUIREMENTS TO CUT USE BY  
24 25, 28, 32, 36, 38 PERCENT. SO SIMPLY BECAUSE I THINK PEOPLE  
25 WONDER WHY IS THE COUNTY DOING THIS TO ITS PEOPLE? I SIMPLY

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1 WANTED TO MAKE THE POINT THAT WE ARE -- IN OUR ROLE, REALLY,  
2 AS A MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, WE'RE  
3 JOINING ALL THE OTHER CITIES IN TRYING TO MEET THE  
4 REQUIREMENTS OF THE STATE; IS THAT CORRECT?

5

6 **SPEAKER:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

7

8 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE SOME UNIQUE AREAS, AS WELL, TOO.  
13 WHAT KIND OF OUTREACH ARE WE DOING TO OUR CUSTOMERS SUCH AS  
14 OUR TENANTS IN MARINA DEL REY AS AN EXAMPLE? WHAT KIND OF  
15 OUTREACH ARE WE DOING?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** AS FAR AS WATER CONSERVATION?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT, YEAH.

20

21 **SPEAKER:** WE HAVE AGAIN TURF REMOVAL THAT MAY NOT BE COMPLETELY  
22 APPLICABLE TO THE MARINA ESPECIALLY FOR APARTMENTS AND SO ON  
23 AND SO FORTH. BUT WE HAVE ALSO REBATE FOR HOUSEHOLD EFFICIENCY  
24 APPLIANCES, WASHERS AND SO ON. WE HAVE REBATES FOR IRRIGATION  
25 NOZZLES, FOR IRRIGATION CONTROLLERS. WE HAVE FREE WATER AUDIT

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1 THAT WE'LL GO TO PEOPLE'S HOME, GO THROUGH THE USE AND TELL

2 THEM HOW TO CUT THEIR WATER USE. AND TONS OF EDUCATIONAL --

3

4 **SPEAKER:** HOW DO THEY KNOW THAT THOSE KINDS OF THINGS

5 ASSISTANCE ARE AVAILABLE? ARE THERE FLYERS. YOU PUT SOMETHING

6 IN EVERY MAILBOX AND APARTMENT? HOW DO YOU GO ABOUT? BECAUSE

7 WE HAVE A UNIQUE SITUATION OUT THERE WHERE THE COUNTY OWNS

8 PROPERTY, WE HAVE LESSEES THAT MANAGE THE PROPERTY. THEY ARE

9 GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY THE WATER RATIONING. AND WE NEED TO BE

10 ABLE TO EDUCATE AND TO MAKE THOSE FOLKS INSIDE THE APARTMENTS,

11 I SEE NO INCENTIVE AT THIS POINT FOR THEM TO BE CONSERVING

12 WATER BECAUSE AT THE END OF THE DAY, IT'S THE LESSEE THAT IS

13 PAYING THE BILL TO US. AND THEN THIS WHOLE SUBTENANT ISSUE?

14 LIKE OUT IN THE MARINA WE HAVE COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL ON

15 THE SAME PIECE OF PROPERTY. HOW ARE WE DEALING WITH THAT? WHAT

16 KIND OF SURCHARGE IS THAT GOING TO BE INVOLVED?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** IN THE MARINA, AGAIN, THERE IS NOT GOING TO BE A

19 SURCHARGE BECAUSE THE MARINA IS A SMALL WATER SYSTEM AND THE

20 STATE REQUIREMENTS IS FOR THEM TO LIMIT OUTSIDE WATER USE TO

21 NO MORE THAN TWO DAYS PER WEEK.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY.

24

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1 **SPEAKER:** THE MARINA IS A UNIQUE SYSTEM. AND OUR WEBSITE AND  
2 OUR BILLS AS YOU'VE INDICATED, ESPECIALLY THE BILLS, GO TO  
3 THOSE WHOEVER PAYS THE WATER BILL. AND WE NEED TO DO A BETTER  
4 JOB TO REACH OUT TO THE APARTMENT DWELLERS AND TALK TO THEM  
5 AND PROVIDE THEM WITH INFORMATION PERTAINING TO WATER  
6 CONSERVATION AND WHAT'S AVAILABLE.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I ASSUME THE LESSEE WILL HAVE SOME RESPONSIBILITY  
9 TO THAT, TOO, BUT WE CERTAINLY COULD BE A FACILITATOR OF  
10 PUTTING THAT INFORMATION OUT, PARTICULARLY SO THAT THEY KNOW  
11 WHAT'S AVAILABLE TO THEM TO BE ABLE TO ASSIST THEIR BILLS AND  
12 EVERYTHING ELSE. SO WE DO HAVE A PLANNED, VIABLE EDUCATION  
13 PROJECT.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** WE DO, SUPERVISOR. WE WILL BE DOING EDUCATION TO ALL  
16 OF OUR CUSTOMERS IN REGARDS TO REBATES AND INFORMATION  
17 CURRENTLY AVAILABLE. WE HAVE SENT OUT A FLYER OR NOTIFICATION  
18 TO ALL OF OUR CUSTOMERS REGARDING THE ALLOCATION.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** THE CUSTOMERS, IS THAT THE LESSEE?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** IN THIS CASE IT'S THE CUSTOMER THAT HAS THE METER. AS  
23 PART OF THAT, WE'VE ALSO INCLUDED INFORMATION ON OUR WEBSITE  
24 WHICH LISTS ALL THE REBATES, ALL THE PROGRAMS AVAILABLE FOR  
25 WATER CONSERVATION FOR BOTH, IT COULD BE VERY WELL USED BY

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1 TENANTS OF THE WATER METER CUSTOMERS IN THE MARINA. AND MOVING  
2 FORWARD, WE CAN WORK WITH THOSE FOLKS TO ENSURE THAT THAT KIND  
3 OF INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE AND MADE READILY AVAILABLE TO THE  
4 VARIOUS TENANTS IN THE MARINA FOR THE VARIOUS WATER METER  
5 HOLDERS IN THE MARINA.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY. MR. MAYOR, I KNOW WE HAVE A LOT OF PUBLIC  
8 COMMENT, BUT I'D LIKE TO PUT A MOTION ON THE FLOOR, AS WELL,  
9 TOO, IF I COULD DO THAT?

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SURE.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** AT THIS POINT, IF MY STAFF WOULD PASS THIS OUT.  
14 OBVIOUSLY OUR RESPONSE IS SIGNIFICANT AS WE DEAL WITH THIS  
15 HISTORIC DROUGHT EMERGENCY. BUT WE ALSO MUST INCLUDE "OUT OF  
16 THE BOX" SOLUTIONS THAT MAKE SENSE GIVEN OUR LIMITED OPTIONS  
17 TO CONSERVE MORE POTABLE WATER. AND AS SHEILA INDICATED, WE  
18 GOT 88 CITIES THAT ARE DOING THE SAME KIND OF THING. BUT WE  
19 MUST EMPOWER OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS TO REDUCE THE REGULATORY  
20 BARRIERS THAT MAY CURRENTLY EXIST IN OUR COUNTY CODES,  
21 POLICIES AND PROGRAMS TO ENCOURAGE REFORMS NEEDED TO SUPPORT  
22 THE EFFORTS OF PROPERTY OWNERS SEEKING TO COMPLY WITH WATER  
23 CONSERVATION AND DROUGHT-RELATED REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING BUT  
24 NOT LIMITED TO THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL TURF AND OTHER  
25 ALTERNATIVE LANDSCAPING MATERIALS. AS AN EXAMPLE, IN MANY

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1 CITIES, PEOPLE ARE STARTING TO DISCOVER THAT THEY CANNOT PUT  
2 ARTIFICIAL TURF -- THEY AS A COUNTY HAVE CITY CODES AGAINST  
3 THAT IN SOME CITIES. SO THAT'S WHAT THEY HAVE TO WORK THROUGH  
4 AND MAKE SURE THAT WE DON'T HAVE THE SAME PROBLEM. WE NEED TO  
5 SEEK ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES TO OFFER OUR WATER WORK DISTRICT  
6 CUSTOMERS SUCH AS A VERY SUCCESSFUL RAIN BARREL PILOT PROGRAM  
7 AND TO RETHINK OUR REGULATIONS AS IT RELATES TO CISTERN  
8 FENCING SYSTEMS SUCH AS THE KIND COMMONLY NOW USED IN  
9 AUSTRALIA TO CAPTURE AND STORE RAIN WATER FOR REUSE ON THAT  
10 SITE. SO I WOULD MOVE THAT WE AS A BOARD, ACTING AS THE  
11 GOVERNING BODY OF THE WATERWORKS DISTRICT, IN MARINA DEL REY  
12 WATER SYSTEM ADOPT THE FOLLOWING: 1) DUE TO THE EMERGENCY  
13 WATER SHORTAGE THROUGHOUT THE STATE, ADOPT A RESOLUTION  
14 APPROVING THE PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO THE PHASED WATER  
15 CONSERVATION PLAN SET FORTH IN THIS RESOLUTION IMPLEMENTING  
16 THE PLAN TO REFLECT THE CURRENT WATER SHORTAGE, ADOPT AN  
17 AMENDMENT TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE DISTRICTS AND  
18 FIND THAT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PLAN IN PART 5 OF THE  
19 RULES IS EXEMPT FROM CEQA; AND, 2) INSTRUCT OUR C.E.O. AND  
20 REGIONAL PLANNING PUBLIC WORKS AND PUBLIC HEALTH AND I.S.D. TO  
21 REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS WITH A PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF OUR COUNTY  
22 CODES, POLICIES AND PROGRAMS THAT MAY BE REFORMED OR NEED TO  
23 BE REFORMED TO REDUCE THE REGULATORY BARRIERS TO PROPERTY  
24 OWNERS SEEKING TO COMPLY WITH OUR WATER CONSERVATION AND  
25 DROUGHT-RELATED REQUIREMENTS AND ALSO TO IDENTIFY ADDITIONAL



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1 INCENTIVE PROGRAMS AND REGULATORY CHANGES THAT CAN BE EXPLORED  
2 SUCH AS A COUNTY RAIN BARREL PROGRAM, CISTERN WATER STORAGE  
3 SYSTEMS TO ENCOURAGE CONSERVATION, STORM WATER AND GRAY WATER  
4 CAPTURE ON INDIVIDUAL PROPERTIES AND THE POTENTIAL FOR  
5 EVENTUALLY CONNECTING THESE SOURCES TO A LARGER INFRASTRUCTURE  
6 WITHIN THE COUNTY. AND I WOULD LAY THAT OUT THERE UNTIL AFTER  
7 PUBLIC COMMENT.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK. SOME OF THESE, I KNOW I  
10 HAD AUTHORED IN OUR COUNTY POLICY NOW HOW HAVE THEY BEEN ABLE  
11 TO CONSERVE ON THE WATER? DO YOU HAVE ANY RECORDS ON THAT?  
12 LIKE THE COUNTY RAIN BILL PROGRAM? SAVING THE WATER FROM THE  
13 RAINS THAT WE HAVE ON INDIVIDUAL HOMES?

14

15 **SPEAKER:** THE WATER DISTRICT DOES NOT HAVE A REBATE FOR RAIN  
16 BARRELS. HOWEVER, THERE ARE OTHER WATER AGENCIES THAT DO HAVE  
17 THAT REBATE. IT WORKED PRETTY GOOD.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALONG WITH THIS MOTION, WHAT OTHER  
20 WAYS CAN WE ASSIST THE CONSERVATION WITHOUT BURDENING THE  
21 HOMEOWNER.

22

23 **SPEAKER:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE A WEBSITE L.A. COUNTY  
24 DROUGHT.COM, WHICH LISTS ALL OF THE CURRENTLY AVAILABLE  
25 REBATES, CONSERVATION INCENTIVES BOTH FOR OUTDOOR LANDSCAPING

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1 AND ALSO FOR VARIOUS APPLIANCES IN THE HOME AND ALSO PROVIDES  
2 INFORMATION ON HOW THEY CAN GO ABOUT APPLYING FOR THOSE  
3 REBATES. WE HAVE A WATER AUDIT PROGRAM WHERE IT WILL HAVE  
4 STAFF ACTUALLY VISIT HOMEOWNERS AND GO THROUGH THEIR PROPERTY  
5 WITH THEM TO BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY OPPORTUNITIES THAT THEY CAN  
6 AVAIL THEMSELVES OF TO BETTER CONSERVE WATER AT THEIR  
7 PROPERTIES. SO WE HAVE A VARIETY OF EXISTING PROGRAMS.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** FOR THE RECORD, COULD YOU CITE, SO THE  
10 PEOPLE LISTENING AT HOME COULD HAVE THAT INFORMATION, HOW THEY  
11 CAN ACCESS THAT?

12

13 **SPEAKER:** YES, THE WEBSITE IS CALLED LACOUNTYDROUGHT.COM.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THOSE IN THE AUDIENCE CAN HEAR THAT,  
16 AS WELL LACOUNTYDROUGHT.COM. LET ME GET THE CALL FROM  
17 LANCASTER. RALPH DEFILIPPO, SHIRLEY KOHL. SHIRLEY KOHL? EDWARD  
18 DUFFY. FRED LAVEN. GOOD AFTERNOON.

19

20 **RALPH DEFILIPPO:** MY NAME IS RALPH DEFILIPPO. I'M A RESIDENT OF  
21 LANCASTER CALIFORNIA. AND MY QUESTION IS: WE HAVE BEEN ASKED  
22 TO REDUCE OUR WATER ALLOTMENT BY 32 PERCENT BASED ON 2013  
23 BILLING DATA. I WENT THROUGH THE CALCULATIONS, AND I'VE BEEN  
24 ASKED TO CONSERVE 44 PERCENT. WE HAVE ALREADY TAKEN STEPS TO  
25 CONSERVE WATER. I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND THE METHOD USED TO

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1 DETERMINE THE PERCENTAGE. IT'S NOT A 32 PERCENT. IT'S 44  
2 PERCENT. AND I'VE ALSO BEEN ASTOUNDED BY SOME OF THE OTHER  
3 PEOPLE WHO WILL BE SPEAKING AFTER ME THAT UP TO 80 PERCENT OF  
4 THEIR WATER HAS TO BE CUT BACK. THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG WITH  
5 THE WAY THESE NUMBERS ARE COMING TOGETHER. I NEED TO  
6 UNDERSTAND HOW THE WATERWORKS DISTRICT HAS COME UP WITH 44  
7 PERCENT FOR ME AND 80 PERCENT FOR OTHER CUSTOMERS. WE NEED TO  
8 UNDERSTAND THAT BEFORE THIS SO-CALLED PHASED APPROACH IS PUT  
9 INTO EFFECT.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'LL ASK THEM TO RESPOND AFTER THE  
12 PUBLIC SPEAKERS. WE'LL ASK THE DEPARTMENT TO RESPOND TO THE  
13 QUESTIONS YOU'VE RAISED.

14

15 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SHIRLEY KOHL?

18

19 **SHIRLEY KOHL:** HELLO. I AM ONE OF THE RESIDENTS HERE WHO I'VE  
20 BEEN ASKED TO CUT MY WATER USE ON OUR LOT BY 79.5 PERCENT. AND  
21 JUST SO YOU KNOW, WE HAVE HALF ACRE LOT. TWO-THIRDS OF IT IS  
22 ALREADY DRY SCAPED. BEFORE 2013, BEFORE THE DROUGHT WAS IN  
23 EFFECT, OUR DAUGHTER TOLD US ABOUT THE WATER SITUATION IN  
24 CALIFORNIA. WE TOOK OUT ALMOST ALL OUR LAWN WE ZERO SCAPED OUR  
25 ENTIRE FRONT LAWN. WE LIVE IN A HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION. WE

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1 HAVE FIVE OR SO HOMEOWNERS WHO ARE ZERO SCAPING. AND WE'VE GOT  
2 MORE WHO HAVE INDICATED AN INTEREST. SO SOMETHING, I WOULD  
3 LIKE TO CHALLENGE THE METHODOLOGY AND SAY IF I WAS TAKING A  
4 CLASS, I WOULD SAY YOU'VE GOT A SOFTWARE ERROR, YOU'VE GOT A  
5 MATH ERROR SOMEWHERE, PLEASE CHECK YOUR NUMBERS. ONE UNIT IS  
6 748 GALLONS. THE JANUARY/FEBRUARY TWO MONTH ALLOCATION FOR OUR  
7 COMMUNITY, EVERY HOUSE IN OUR COMMUNITY, NO MATTER HOW MANY  
8 PEOPLE LIVE THERE IS 16 UNITS. THAT'S 8 UNITS A MONTH. AND IT  
9 COMES OUT TO ABOUT 200 GALLONS A DAY. TARGET AMOUNTS ARE NOT  
10 CALCULATED ON A PER CAPITA BASIS. LET'S SAY YOU HAVE A FAMILY  
11 OF FOUR KIDS, TWO PARENTS AND TWO GRANDPARENTS LIVING IN A  
12 HOME, SINGLE ADDRESS. THEY HAVE EXACTLY THE SAME ALLOCATION AS  
13 SOMEBODY LIVING BY THEMSELVES. THAT'S DEFINITELY INEQUITABLE.  
14 IN 2015, I THINK YOU CAN GET SOME SOFTWARE THAT CAN CALCULATE  
15 THIS OR HIRE SOME BOOKKEEPERS WHO CAN DO THESE NUMBERS BECAUSE  
16 I THINK WE COULD -- I MEAN NORMAL PEOPLE LIKE ME, I COULD  
17 THINK OF HOW YOU COULD DO IT. SO MAYBE IT'S NOT AS EASY TO  
18 CALCULATE AS JUST GOING BY EACH ADDRESS, BUT IT'S WHAT'S JUST  
19 AND IT'S YOUR JOB BECAUSE YOU HAVE A MONOPOLY ON WATER. A  
20 SHOWER FROM A LOW-FLOW SHOWER HEAD TAKES TWO GALLONS, A TEN  
21 MINUTE SHOWER WOULD BE ABOUT 21 GALLONS. FAMILY WITH FOUR  
22 CHILDREN, TWO PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS WOULD USE 168 GALLONS A  
23 DAY IN 10-MINUTE SHOWERS. THEY WOULD USE UP THEIR ENTIRE  
24 ALLOCATION FOR JANUARY/FEBRUARY IN SHOWERS. HIGH EFFICIENCY  
25 WASHING MACHINES CLEAN A LOAD OF LAUNDRY WITH 15 TO 30 GALLONS

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1 OF WATER. IF THE ABOVE FAMILY I MENTIONED 4 KIDS, TWO PARENTS,  
2 COUPLE GRANDPARENTS, IF THEY DO ONE LOAD A WEEK FOR EACH  
3 PERSON, THAT'S ABOUT 200 GALLONS A DAY. THEY'RE GOING TO  
4 ALMOST WITH A SHOWER AND THEIR LAUNDRY USE UP THEIR ENTIRE  
5 ALLOCATION FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY. I PICKED THE LOWEST MONTH  
6 BECAUSE I'M JUST ASSUMING NO OUTDOOR WATER USE. SO IF THE  
7 STATE -- I WOULD ALSO LIKE TO SUBMIT A MUCH SIMPLER METHOD IF  
8 YOU WANT TO DO 32 PERCENT SAVINGS, WHAT YOU CAN DO IS TAKE  
9 EVERYBODY'S 2013 WATER USE, CUT IT 32 PERCENT: COMMERCIAL,  
10 FARMING, EVERYBODY. AND MAYBE IF SOME BUSINESS THINKS THEY  
11 REALLY NEED THE WATER, THEY CAN CONTACT A HOMEOWNER AND SAY  
12 CAN YOU CUT YOUR WATER USE EXTRA? STOP TAKING SHOWERS, TAKE IT  
13 ONCE A WEEK AND WE'LL PAY YOU FOR A VOUCHER. AND THEN THEY CAN  
14 SUBMIT THAT TO THE WATER DEPARTMENT AND THEY DID USE THAT  
15 EXTRA WATER. SO A LITTLE INNOVATION AND CREATIVITY WOULD BE  
16 GOOD FOR YOUR MONOPOLY UTILITY. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. AGAIN, WE DON'T ALLOW  
19 APPLAUSE. YOU WANT THE SHOW YOUR SUPPORT, JUST RAISE THE ROOF,  
20 OKAY? THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SHIRLEY. EDWARD DUFFY.

21

22 **EDWARD DUFFY:** HI, ED DUFFY HERE. I HAVE BEEN TRYING THIS FOR  
23 ABOUT TWO YEARS AT MY HOUSE. I HAVE NO GRASS. I HAVE THREE  
24 ROSE BUSHES. ALL DECORATIVE ROCKS. I APPLIED AT THE COUNTY TWO  
25 YEARS AGO TO HAVE SOMEONE COME TO MY HOUSE AND GIVE ME AN

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1 ESTIMATE FOR WHATEVER HELP, EXCUSE ME, WHATEVER REBATE THEY  
2 WOULD GIVE ME. NO ONE EVER SHOWED UP. THE RESTRICTIONS ARE FAR  
3 BEYOND WHAT ANYBODY SHOULD HAVE TO DO. I MEAN, I DON'T SEE WHY  
4 I SHOULD BE CHARGED ANYTHING BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE ANY GRASS AT  
5 ALL. JUST THREE ROSE BUSHES FOR SOME BEAUTY IN FRONT OF MY  
6 HOUSE. AND I'M GOING TO BE ALLOCATED, I'M SURE I WILL BE  
7 ALLOCATED, BECAUSE THAT'S THE WAY THE COUNTY RUNS, NOTHING  
8 PERSONAL ABOUT THE COUNTY BUT THAT'S JUST THE WAY IT IS. AND I  
9 DON'T THINK IT'S PROPER TO -- BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T GIVE ME ANY  
10 ALLOCATION FOR WHAT I DID ON MY PROPERTY. I HAD A BIT 90-FOOT  
11 TREE, IT SHADED MY HOUSE, IT COOLED MY HOUSE, NOW MY COOLING  
12 BILL IS MORE. SO THINGS LIKE THAT. AND NO REBATES FROM THE  
13 CITY, COUNTY NOR STATE. AND I THINK IT'S A LITTLE BIT  
14 IRRESPONSIBLE FOR THEM. THAT'S ALL I GOT TO SAY ABOUT THAT.  
15 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NICOLE PARSON. HI, NICOLE.

18

19 **NICOLE PARSON:** HELLO. THESE ARE MY PEOPLE HERE. AND THE  
20 OBAMACARE AND THE NATIONAL HEALTHCARE IS ENVIRONMENTAL TOXINS  
21 THAT WE DON'T CREATE, OTHER PEOPLE CREATE. AND LIKE I SAID,  
22 THE GOVERNOR CHOSE MY DESIGN AND LANCASTER STOLE MY DESIGN AND  
23 TRIED THEIR ENGINEERING IS FAKE. EVERYONE CAN TELL IT'S ON THE  
24 TABLE. I HAVE THE REAL DESIGN. I PROMISE MR. A., I'LL SEND A  
25 LITTLE ENVELOPE WITH THE REAL DESIGN. THE REASON WHY IS

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1 BECAUSE LANCASTER HAD THE FRESHWATER. AND QUARTZ HILL IS NOT  
2 INVOLVED AND PALMDALE'S NOT INVOLVED BECAUSE THEY'RE TRYING TO  
3 STEAL OUR WATER. OKAY. I PROMISE EVERYONE THAT'S IT. OKAY?  
4 BYE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE. LET ME CALL  
7 ADRIENNE RECA LORINDA JELI-DREILING, LORINDA? MICHELLE LEWIS.  
8 MARGARET O'BRIEN? ANTELOPE VALLEY, MARGARET O'BRIEN OR LORINDA  
9 THERE?

10

11 **ADRIANNE RECA:** THANK YOU, MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND THANK YOU,  
12 SUPERVISORS FOR HEARING THIS IMPORTANT ISSUE. I'M HERE TODAY  
13 SIMPLY I'M REPRESENTING NOT ONLY MYSELF AS A PROPERTY OWNER  
14 AND ALSO 500 OTHER PROPERTY, EXCUSE ME, AGAIN MY NAME IS  
15 ADRIANNE RECA, I APOLOGIZE. THIS WAS PUT IN FRONT OF ME JUST  
16 NOW. I'M REPRESENTING MYSELF AS WELL AS BEING A PROPERTY  
17 OWNER. I DO HELP AND MANAGE ABOUT FIVE OTHER INDIVIDUAL  
18 PROPERTIES IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. SO I AM HERE REPRESENTING  
19 MY TENANTS AS WELL AS MY OWNERS AT THIS TIME. I DO WANT TO  
20 PRESENT THAT WHILE MR. MARIKI HAS TRIED TO PRESENT A LETTER IN  
21 AN EFFORT FOR THIS IMPLEMENTATION, THERE ARE A LOT OF ERRORS  
22 WITH IT, AS YOU'LL WELL HEAR FROM EVERYONE ELSE HERE TODAY.  
23 THE ONES I WANT TO POINT OUT QUICKLY IS SIMPLY IN AN EFFORT TO  
24 TRY TO HELP THE CUSTOMERS, THIS WAS SENT OUT ON A FRIDAY  
25 BEFORE A THREE-DAY HOLIDAY IN WHICH IT DID NOT ALLOW ANY OTHER



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1 PEOPLE, IT'S PROBABLY SITTING UNOPENED. SO PEOPLE DIDN'T EVEN  
2 KNOW THAT THIS WAS GOING TO BE IMPLEMENTED WITHIN FIVE DAYS.  
3 NUMBER TWO, THE MEETING TODAY WAS DOCUMENTED ON THIS LETTER  
4 FROM L.A. COUNTY WATERWORKS THAT THIS MEETING WOULD OCCUR AT  
5 9:30 THIS MORNING. SEVERAL PEOPLE, INCLUDING MYSELF, CAME DOWN  
6 HERE. OTHERS ARE IN THE LIBRARY IN ANTELOPE VALLEY TODAY. WE  
7 WAITED ALL DAY FOR THE MEETING. SO, AGAIN, BAD INFORMATION.  
8 ALSO IN THIS LETTER, IF YOU WANTED ON THE FIGURES, THEY WERE  
9 STATING IT WAS BASED ON YOUR 2013 USAGE. THEY DON'T EVEN LIST  
10 YOUR 2013 USAGE. THEY'RE SHOWING YOUR 2014 USAGE. SO THE  
11 AVERAGE HOMEOWNER, TENANT, LANDLORD, OWNER COULD NEVER BEGIN  
12 TO CALCULATE ANY OF THE FIGURES ON WHICH L.A. COUNTY IS BASING  
13 THEIR SURCHARGES. AND ALSO, I AM HERE TO PROVE MR. MARIKI THAT  
14 I REPRESENT A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT ARE FACING 70 TO 80 PERCENT  
15 SURCHARGES. FOR EXAMPLE, ONE OF THE HOUSES I REPRESENT --  
16 EXCUSE ME, IS MY TIME EXPIRED NOW?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** CONCLUDE YOUR STATEMENT.

19

20 **ADRIANNE RECA:** ONE OF THE HOUSES I REPRESENT A TWO BEDROOM ONE  
21 BATH HOUSE SAME ALLOTMENT AS MY FIVE BEDROOM THREE BATH I ALSO  
22 REPRESENT AN APARTMENT BUILDING THAT HAS A 77 PERCENT  
23 REDUCTION ORDERED. THIS WOULD REQUIRE AND IT'S BEING LOOKED  
24 AT. IT'S ONLY BEEN GIVEN 19 UNITS MORE THAN A STANDARD HOUSE.  
25 THIS IS ABSOLUTELY IMPOSSIBLE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION. WE ARE

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1 ALL HERE TO CONSERVE. WE KNOW THE STATE'S IN TROUBLE. WE WILL  
2 ALL DO OUR PART. CUTTING IS VERY UNCOMFORTABLE. WHAT HAS BEEN  
3 GIVEN US, I AM BEGGING YOU NOT TO IMPLEMENT THIS. THESE  
4 CHARGES ARE TOO STRONG.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WOULD YOU PLEASE GIVE THAT INFORMATION  
7 TO THE SERGEANT. HE'LL GIVE THEM TO THE DIRECTOR. BUT I  
8 APOLOGIZE IF THERE WAS A MISUNDERSTANDING ON THE TIME BECAUSE  
9 OUR DEPARTMENTS WERE GIVEN THE SCHEDULE OF THIS BOARD MEETING  
10 FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR. AND IT'S BEEN THE POLICY THAT WHEN THERE  
11 IS A HOLIDAY, WE START AT 1:00 AFTER THAT HOLIDAY. THE  
12 DEPARTMENT OWES YOU AN APOLOGY. AND I'LL APOLOGIZE FROM THE  
13 DEPARTMENT FOR YOU FROM INCONVENIENCING YOU. THERE'S NO EXCUSE  
14 FOR THAT. THEY HAD THE CALENDAR. THEY HAD IT AHEAD OF TIME. I  
15 APOLOGIZE FOR THEM.

16

17 **ADRIANNE RECA:** NO NEED FOR APOLOGY. JUST PLEASE DO NOT PASS  
18 THE CHARGES THAT ARE BEING SET FORTH TODAY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MICHELLE?

21

22 **MICHELLE LEWIS:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU FOR HEARING US.  
23 I'M MICHELLE LEWIS FROM LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA. I COME BEFORE  
24 YOU AS A BUSINESS OWNER AND A HOMEOWNER AND A COMMERCIAL  
25 PROPERTY OWNER. AS THE GENTLEMAN FROM L.A. COUNTY WATER SAID,

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1 WE ARE HIGH USERS. I CAN TELL YOU OUT OF OVER 300 LETTERS THAT  
2 CAME INTO OUR OFFICE ON FRIDAY AFTERNOON, THERE ARE A LOT OF  
3 CONSIDERED HIGH USERS UP IN THE 70 TO 80 PERCENT BRACKET. AND  
4 SUPPOSELY IF THEY DO GO INTO EFFECT STARTING JUNE 1ST, THE  
5 FINES OR THE SURCHARGES WOULD BE EXTREME ACROSS THOUSANDS OF  
6 YOUR CUSTOMERS. I'M VERY CONCERNED -- A LOT OF THE COMMERCIAL  
7 PROPERTIES THAT HAVE ALREADY BEEN CUTTING BACK AND TRYING TO  
8 DO SOME DESERT SCAPING AND THINGS, ONE OF THE BILLS I HAVE IN  
9 FRONT OF ME THAT'S THE COMMERCIAL PROPERTY, THEY DID THE  
10 MINIMAL LANDSCAPING THAT'S REQUIRED BY THE CITY OF LANCASTER,  
11 AND THEY HAVE TO REDUCE -- THEY'RE BEING CHARGED -- THE  
12 REDUCTION IS 80 PERCENT OF WHAT THEY CURRENTLY ARE. IT'S A  
13 10,000 SQUARE-FOOT BUILDING EMPLOYING OVER 50 PEOPLE. SO THE  
14 REDUCTION WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE. SO THEREFORE THEY WOULD BE  
15 FACING HUGE CHARGES. THAT'S, I'M SURE, HAPPENING TO THOUSANDS  
16 OF PEOPLE THAT ARE GETTING ALL OF THESE LETTERS IN THE MAIL.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND, AGAIN, GIVE THAT INFORMATION TO  
19 THE SERGEANT BECAUSE I'M HAVING THE DEPARTMENT LOOK AT THAT  
20 INFORMATION. THANK YOU.

21

22 **MICHELLE LEWIS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

23

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS JOANNA DIGIOVANNA IN LANCASTER AND  
2    JOSEPH NICHOLS IN LANCASTER? JOSEPH BUNEVACZ IN LANCASTER?  
3    JOHN MILLER IN LANCASTER?

4

5    **JOSEPH NICHOLS:** YEAH, HI, THIS IS JOSEPH NICHOLS IN LANCASTER,  
6    I'M NOT SURE WHERE THE OTHERS ARE.

7

8    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE OTHERS AREN'T THERE, RIGHT? I'LL  
9    HAVE YOU START OVER ON YOUR TIME. BUT ARE YOU THE ONLY ONE  
10   LEFT THAT HAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK IN LANCASTER? ARE YOU THE  
11   ONLY ONE LEFT WHO SIGNED UP TO SPEAK IN LANCASTER?

12

13   **JOSEPH NICHOLS:** THERE ARE OTHERS WHO SIGNED UP I BELIEVE THAT  
14   ARE STILL BEHIND ME.

15

16   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. YOU'RE ON.

17

18   **JOSEPH NICHOLS:** MAYOR, THERE IS A TIME LAG SO IT'S HARD FOR ME  
19   TO TALK AND LISTEN. BUT I LIVE IN PALMDALE. I LIVE IN THE PART  
20   OF THE PALMDALE THAT IS PART OF L.A. COUNTY WATER DISTRICT.  
21   AND WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO CUT BACK, ALL OF MY NEIGHBORS ARE  
22   TRYING TO CUT BACK. OUR LAWNS ARE NOT LUSH GREEN AS THEY HAVE  
23   BEEN IN THE PAST. MANY OF MY NEIGHBORS HAVE DONE THE ZERO  
24   SCAPING. AND, YET, WHEN WE OPEN THESE BILLS ON FRIDAY AND  
25   FOUND OUT OR THESE LETTERS AND FOUND OUT WE HAVE TO REDUCE 80

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1 PERCENT EVEN WITH ALL THE LANDSCAPING THAT WE'VE DONE, THERE  
2 IS NO WAY THAT WE CAN AN ACCOMPLISH THAT. AND I THINK THE  
3 PROBLEM IS THE WATER DISTRICT IS APPLYING THE AVERAGE OVER THE  
4 ENTIRE DISTRICT AND NOT TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THOSE WHO  
5 HAVE HISTORICALLY HIGHER USAGE OR LARGER YARDS OR THINGS LIKE  
6 THAT. SO I WOULD URGE THE BOARD TO NOT PASS THIS, TO REJECT  
7 THIS PLAN AND ASK THE WATER DISTRICT TO GO BACK AND PERHAPS  
8 LOOK AT SMALLER BLOCKS OF REGIONS TO DO THE AVERAGES AND TO  
9 MAKE IT A FAIRER AND MORE EQUITABLE SHARING OF THE BURDEN. IF  
10 SOME PEOPLE HAVE TO CUT BACK 80 PERCENT AND OTHERS NOT AT ALL,  
11 THAT IS NOT AN EQUITABLE SHARE OF THE BURDEN AND I DON'T THINK  
12 THIS IS A VERY GOOD PLAN AND I WOULD ASK YOU TO REJECT IT AND  
13 ASK THE WATER DISTRICT TO COME UP WITH SOMETHING THAT IS MORE  
14 FAIR, EQUITABLE TO ALL RESIDENTS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS JOANNA DEGIOVANNA THERE. JOSEPH  
17 BUNEVACZ? JOHN MILLER? HERE WE HAVE ANDREW CHADD? ROBERT  
18 LUCAS? HERMAN HERMAN AND ARNOLD SACHS. IS MARGARET O'BRIEN IN  
19 LANCASTER? OR LORINDA?

20

21 **ANDREW CHADD:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I HAVE IT IN BLACK AND WHITE ON  
22 MINE. THEY'RE ASKING US TO CUT 70 PERCENT. AND ALL MY  
23 NEIGHBORS ARE SINGLE PEOPLE AND THERE'S A COUPLE COUPLES BUT  
24 WE HAVE 7 IN THE HOUSEHOLD. AND WE WERE TRYING TO FIGURE OUT  
25 LAST NIGHT HOW WE CAN DO THIS. AND WHO'S GOING TO TELL THE

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1 KIDS THEY CAN ONLY USE THE BATHROOM ON MONDAY AND FRIDAY? SO  
2 WE'RE KIND OF HAVING A TOUGH TIME. WE DO HAVE A LAWN RIGHT  
3 NOW, BUT WE'RE TAKING IT OUT THIS SUMMER. SO WE DON'T KNOW  
4 WHERE TO CUT AND HOW THESE NUMBERS ARE COMING UP. THIS IS WHAT  
5 WE GOT. IN DECEMBER/JANUARY, WE HAVE TO DROP FROM 83 TO 18. WE  
6 DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO. THAT'S WHY WE CAME ALL THE WAY DOWN  
7 HERE. WE WERE ALSO HERE AT 9:00, TOO, BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT THE  
8 LETTER SAYS.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT IS STUPID THAT I HAD THE DEPARTMENT  
11 PUT THAT 9:00 ON YOUR LETTER.

12

13 **ANDREW CHADD:** WELL, IT'S POSSIBLE THEY DIDN'T FIGURE IT ALL  
14 OUT WITH THE HOLIDAY. BUT YOU GOT TO UNDERSTAND THE DEPARTMENT  
15 WAS LOOKING AT EVERYBODY AND JUDGING THE HOUSEHOLDS, BUT SOME  
16 OF THE HOUSEHOLDS ONLY HAVE 1 PEOPLE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** 1 PERSON.

19

20 **ANDREW CHADD:** AND WE HAVE A FAMILY SO WE JUST CAME HERE TO  
21 APPEAL TO YOU GUYS TO HELP US FIGURE OUT A WAY WE CAN WORK  
22 TOGETHER AND DO OUR PART TO CONSERVE BUT NOT GET PENALIZED.  
23 I'M NOT HERE FOR A \$15 INCREASE, EITHER. DUE TO THE  
24 CALCULATIONS I HAVE OUR BILL WILL GO FROM 200 EVERY TWO MONTHS  
25 TO 700 BECAUSE WE ALREADY HAVE A TIERED SYSTEM IN PLACE. AND I

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1 SAW HIS DIAGRAM UP THERE SHOWED A TIERED SYSTEM. BUT IS THAT  
2 REPLACING THE CURRENT TIERED SYSTEM OR IS THAT GOING TO BE ON  
3 TOP OF THAT? SO WE'RE KIND OF SCARED BECAUSE WE DON'T KNOW HOW  
4 WE'RE GOING TO PAY FOR THIS OTHER THAN GET AN OUT HOUSE OR  
5 SOMETHING, I DON'T KNOW.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOT BACK TO THE FUTURE, NO.

8

9 **ANDREW CHADD:** THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I HOPE TO GET SOME ANSWERS FOR YOU.

12

13 **ANDREW CHADD:** I HOPE WE CAN WORK THIS OUT.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WE'LL TRY. WE'LL TRY. MR.  
16 LUCAS?

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18 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. YOU KNOW, EXCUSE MY  
19 IGNORANCE HERE. THERE'S BEEN AN ISSUE WITH THE D.W.P., RIGHT?  
20 AND THEN THERE'S THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER. SO I'M NOT EXACTLY  
21 SURE IF THESE TWO INTERACT, BUT SOME OF THE ANSWERS WHEN THAT  
22 GENTLEMAN WAS SITTING IN THIS SEAT WAS GETTING REALLY HOT  
23 BECAUSE EVEN THOUGH HIS RHETORIC WAS CONSTRUCTIVE, IT WAS  
24 STILL JUST THAT. IN LISTENING TO SOME OF THE INDIVIDUALS UP  
25 HERE, I CAN TELL YOU OF SOME FAMILIES THAT I KNOW ARE MAKING



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1 AN EFFORT, FAR AND BEYOND. FIVE CHILDREN IN A HOUSEHOLD USING  
2 THE SAME BATH WATER IN THE SAME NIGHT. HOW WOULD YOU FEEL  
3 ABOUT THAT? BUT DO YOU KNOW WHAT? THEY'RE DOING SOMETHING. THE  
4 FACT OF THE MATTER IS BACK IN THE DAY, I REMEMBER WHEN  
5 LANCASTER, ANTELOPE VALLEY, IT WAS DESERT. THERE WAS A  
6 MILITARY LANDING STRIP OUT THERE. IT WAS WELL KNOWN BACK THEN  
7 GETTING WATER TO A DESERT. WOW. I WONDER IF IT'S GOING TO BE  
8 DIFFICULT. OR WHAT IT TOOK TO GET IT THERE. SO WHEN YOU'RE  
9 ASKED TO SACRIFICE, WHEN YOU'RE ASKED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR  
10 PEOPLE WHO ARE ALREADY DOING THAT, DON'T BITCH. DO IT!

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LOS ANGELES CITY WAS ALSO DESERT. THIS  
13 WHOLE AREA WAS DESERT. MR. HERMAN.

14

15 **HERMAN HERMAN:** MR. MAYOR, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE VIABLE  
16 SURCHARGES THAT WILL OFFEND MANY, AS YOU HEARD IN THE COMMENTS  
17 MADE TODAY. AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HOW HEALTHCARE GIVERS HAVE  
18 TO CONFORM TO THESE SURCHARGES NOT KNOWING THAT PEOPLE WITH  
19 DISABILITIES WILL BE IMPACTED. AGAIN, S.E.I.U. U.L.T.C.W. IS  
20 ASKING FOR WAGES TO CONFORM TO THE PAYMENTS MADE AND NEEDED TO  
21 ACQUIRE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF HOW TO CONSERVE WATER. MANY  
22 LOCATIONS USE WATER TO BATHE THEIR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES WHO  
23 ARE DISABLED, WHO NEED THE HEALTHCARE GIVERS TO PROVIDE THESE  
24 ACCOMMODATIONS, AS I CALL THEM, TO OTHER PEOPLE IT'S JUST A  
25 SERVICE, ACTIVITY AND PROGRAM UNDER THE AMERICANS WITH

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1   DISABILITIES ACT. BUT INCIDENTALLY WE HAVE A WATER SHORTAGE  
2   THAT WE DID NOT KNOW ABOUT, NOR DID WE CONFORM TO; BECAUSE IF  
3   WE HAD, HAD WE DONE SO, HAD WE PREDICTED THE POSSIBILITY THAT  
4   WE WERE IN A SHORTAGE, I'M SURE THE WELLS AND THE PRESERVING  
5   OF RESERVOIRS WOULD HAVE TAKEN ACTION THEN. BUT, INSTEAD, WE  
6   CREATED A CLIMATE OF MONOPOLY HERE REGARDING WATER  
7   CONSERVATION. REALLY. HAD WE NOT DUMPED BILLIONS OF GALLONS OF  
8   WATER INTO THE OCEAN AS AN EXCUSE, HAD WE NOT TAKEN THE SILVER  
9   LAKE RESERVOIR OF 58 MILLION GALLONS AND FLUSHED THEM INTO THE  
10  TOILET, THIS WATER COULD HAVE BEEN USED TO HELP HEALTHCARE  
11  GIVERS PRESERVE THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT OF BATHING THOSE WHO  
12  ARE DISABLED. AGAIN, S.E.I.U. U.L.T.C.W., GIVE THEM FAIR WAGES  
13  TO PROVIDE AND ACCOMMODATE THESE STANDARDS. I'M GOING TO WAIVE  
14  MY TIME TO YOU NOW.

15

16  **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP MR. SICKLE  
17  GRUEBER? MR. SACHS. [APPLAUSE.]

18

19  **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.  
20  AND FOR THE GENTLEMAN WHO WAS HERE AT 9:00, I NOTIFIED THE  
21  BOARD OFFICE THAT THE ADVERTISEMENT OR THE NOTICE FOR YOUR  
22  HEARING WAS 10 DAYS AGO. THEY PUT IN THE WRONG TIME AND  
23  INFORMATION FOR THAT HEARING. AND I'M SURPRISED THAT IT WASN'T  
24  PASSED ALONG TO THESE PEOPLE TO RECTIFY THAT. BUT YOU'RE  
25  TALKING ABOUT CONSERVATION, CONSERVATION, CONSERVATION. AND

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1 I'M THINKING: HOW ABOUT INFRASTRUCTURE? YOU KNOW, SOMEBODY  
2 MENTIONED D.W.P. AND THE INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE WATER PIPES  
3 BURSTING AND THE BOMBS BURSTING IN AIR, THAT'S THE STAR  
4 SPANGLED BANNER, THAT'S A DIFFERENT STORY. BUT WHO'S LOOKING  
5 INTO THE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THESE WATER AGENCIES AND HOW WELL  
6 IT'S MAINTAINED AND THE PIPELINES THAT ARE MAINTAINED AND THE  
7 DELIVERY SYSTEMS THAT ARE MAINTAINED? WHAT HAPPENS TO THAT  
8 USAGE THAT'S JUST WASTED? WHO'S ACCOUNTABLE FOR THAT? WHAT  
9 AGENCY LOOKS INTO THAT AND SAYS HEY, DO YOU KNOW WHAT? WE NEED  
10 TO FIX OUR WATER LINES TO PROVIDE MORE WATER, LESS LEAKAGE.  
11 BUT HOW'S THE RECOVERY PROGRAM ON THAT, SUPERVISOR KNABE? BY  
12 THE WAY, HAVE YOU READ THE DOWNTOWN NEWS? THEY EXPECT 15,000  
13 MORE UNITS TO BE BUILT IN DOWNTOWN L.A. IN THE NEXT FEW YEARS.  
14 AND WHAT ABOUT THE TWO STADIUMS -- EXCUSE ME THREE STADIUMS  
15 THAT ARE ON THE DRAWING BOARDS NOW. YOU KNOW BACK WHEN THEY  
16 HAD THE ELECTRICAL BLACKOUT, QUOTE UNQUOTE, THAT WAS A REAL  
17 FARCE. BUT NEVERTHELESS, NEW USERS OF UTILITIES WERE  
18 SURCHARGED HIGHER AND THEY WERE CHARGED HIGHER PRICES THAN  
19 PEOPLE WHO ALREADY HAD UTILITIES. WHY DOESN'T THE COUNTY LOOK  
20 INTO A PROGRAM THAT THE UTILITY CORPORATIONS USED WHEN THE  
21 STATE OF CALIFORNIA WENT INTO THE HUGE BLACKOUT ALL OF A  
22 SUDDEN. THAT WAS DEREGULATION. SO CONSIDER THE SAME RULES THAT  
23 THEY USE FOR DEREGULATION.  
24

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. IS THERE ANYONE IN THE  
2    ANTELOPE VALLEY, IN LANCASTER, THAT WAS SIGNED UP TO SPEAK  
3    WHOSE NAME WAS CALLED BUT DID NOT HEAR AND IS AVAILABLE TO  
4    SPEAK NOW? YES, SIR.

5

6    **JOSEPH BUNEVACZ:** GOOD AFTERNOON, GENTLEMEN. MY NAME IS JOSEPH  
7    BUNEVACZ. I LIVE IN PALMDALE, RESIDENT, RETIRED. I'M VERY  
8    SADDENED AND ANGRY WHEN I OPENED YOUR MAIL, THE WATER DISTRICT  
9    MAIL. IT WAS JUST IMPOSSIBLE THE REQUEST YOU MADE TO US AND MY  
10   NEIGHBORS. I LOOK INTO IT. WHY IS IT THAT YOU ONLY LOOKING AT  
11   US TO GET SOLUTION? I'M LOOKING AT YOU GENTLEMENS TO SOLVE  
12   SOME OF THIS PROBLEM. THEN I FIND OUT WONDERFUL LITTLE FISH IN  
13   SACRAMENTO AREAS HAVING GREAT GOOD TIME IN OUR -- WE DON'T  
14   HAVE ANY WATER. COULD YOU OPEN THOSE CHANNELS AND GIVE US A  
15   LITTLE MORE WATER? WE ARE WORKING. WE ARE WORKING TO SOLVE AND  
16   TOGETHER THIS WHOLE SITUATION. IT IS GETTING ALMOST  
17   UNBEARABLE. THANK YOU FOR LISTENING.

18

19   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SIR, WHEN DID YOU RECEIVE YOUR LETTER?  
20   WHEN DID YOU RECEIVE YOUR LETTER?

21

22   **JOSEPH BUNEVACZ:** ABOUT A WEEK AGO.

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24   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ABOUT A WEEK AGO. THANK YOU.

25

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1    **JOSEPH BUNEVACZ:** AND I CAME FROM THE COMMUNIST COUNTRY. AND WE  
2    ARE HEADING DOWN IN THE SAME ROAD AND MAKING SILLY AND  
3    INSUFFICIENT DECISIONS TO OUR NEIGHBORS AND OUR CITIES WITHOUT  
4    LOTS OF THINKING GOING INTO IT. SO PLEASE LOOK AT ALL THOSE  
5    SMELT, I GUESS THAT'S CALLED, THOSE LITTLE FISHES, AND TRY TO  
6    LIMIT SOME OF THEIR PLAYING GROUND IN THE WATER AND GIVE US  
7    SOME IN OUR AREAS. AND WE WORKING WITH YOU. BUT ONLY THE  
8    ANIMAL RIGHTS OR THE SMALLER GROUPS ABLE TO SWIM WITH THE  
9    FISHES?

10

11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ASK. IS THERE ANYBODY ELSE WHO  
12   HAD SIGNED UP TO SPEAK AT THE LIBRARY RIGHT NOW? OR ARE YOU  
13   THE LAST PERSON?

14

15   **JOSEPH BUNEVACZ:** THANK YOU.

16

17   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ARE YOU THE LAST PERSON? NO, YOU'RE  
18   NOT. OKAY. BEFORE YOU SPEAK, ARE YOU THE LAST PERSON OR ARE  
19   THERE OTHERS WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED?

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21   **SPEAKER:** NO, THERE'S ABOUT 10 MORE.

22

23   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MR. SPINDLER? YES, SIR.

24

25   **WAYNE SPINDLER:** CALL MY CARD.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'M NOT CALLING YOUR CARD. I'M CALLING  
3 LANCASTER RIGHT NOW. YES, SIR.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** CAN YOU HEAR ME?

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

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9 **SPEAKER:** THERE'S AT LEAST FIVE MORE.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GO ON. LANCASTER REPORTS.

12

13 **FRED LAVEN:** MY NAME'S FRED LAVEN, RESIDENT OF LANCASTER. I  
14 WANT TO TALK ABOUT WHAT WAS SAID EARLIER ABOUT THE ALLOCATION  
15 AND THE TARGET OF 32 PERCENT. I GOT MY LETTER IN THE MAIL LIKE  
16 EVERYBODY ELSE AND RAN THE NUMBERS AND, YES, IT IS 32 PERCENT  
17 REDUCTION OVERALL FOR ACROSS THE WHOLE YEAR. BUT WHERE WE'RE  
18 GETTING THESE HIGHER NUMBERS IS THIS DISTRIBUTION IS NOT  
19 UNIFORM ACROSS THE YEAR. IN MY CASE, JANUARY/FEBRUARY WE'RE  
20 LOOKING AT AN ALLOCATION OF PLUS 45 PERCENT. THEN WE COME TO  
21 JULY/AUGUST, I AM TO CUT BACK 43 PERCENT. SO, FOR ME, I'M  
22 ASKING THAT THEY TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT THIS AND TRY TO SPREAD  
23 THIS OUT A LITTLE BIT BETTER SO THAT WE'RE NOT HUNG OUT TO DRY  
24 IN THE SUMMERTIME. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. COULD THE NEXT PERSON  
2    PLEASE COME?

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4    **JOHN MILLER:** ARE WE ON?

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6    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE ON.

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8    **JOHN MILLER:** FINE. THANK YOU. MY NAME IS JOHN MILLER. AND I  
9    LIVE IN LANCASTER. [FEEDBACK]. FIRST OF ALL, LET ME SAY THAT I  
10    KNOW THAT WE'RE ALL IN THE SAME BOAT. AND SOME OF OUR PROBLEMS  
11    ARE SIMILAR, BUT THERE ARE OTHERS THAT ARE UNIQUE. GENTLEMEN,  
12    WE NEED FIELD REPRESENTATIVES IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY WHO CAN  
13    GIVE US DIRECT ANSWERS. WE'RE NOT GETTING DIRECT ANSWERS. I'M  
14    NOT COUNTING THE ONES WHEN I CALLED SAID "WELL IF YOU'LL JUST  
15    CUT BACK A LITTLE, EVERYTHING WILL BE ALL RIGHT." I'M  
16    REFERRING --

17

18    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO STOP RIGHT NOW  
19    UNTIL WE GET THE AUDIO FIXED. SIR, MR. MILLER? HOLD ON. MR.  
20    MILLER? HOLD ON. HOLD ON. THERE IS A PROBLEM WITH THE SOUND.  
21    JUST WAIT ONE MOMENT. WAIT, WAIT, WAIT, WAIT. IS IT CORRECTED?  
22    START AGAIN, PLEASE, MR. MILLER. START AGAIN BECAUSE WE HAD AN  
23    AUDIO PROBLEM.

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1   **JOHN MILLER:** OH, WELL I'LL BE HAPPY TO START AGAIN. I THOUGHT  
2   MAYBE YOU WERE TIRED OF ME BY THIS TIME. SO I'LL START AGAIN.  
3   MY NAME IS JOHN MILLER. AND FIRST OF ALL LET ME SAY I KNOW  
4   WE'RE ALL IN THE SAME BOAT. AND THE NUMBERS UP HERE IN THIS  
5   VALLEY ARE CRAZY. SOME OF OUR PROBLEMS ARE SIMILAR, BUT THERE  
6   ARE OTHERS THAT ARE UNIQUE. GENTLEMEN, WE NEED FIELD  
7   REPRESENTATIVES WHO CAN GIVE US HERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY  
8   DIRECT ANSWERS. AND I'M NOT COUNTING THE ONES LIKE I'VE  
9   ALREADY HAD RIGHT NOW, WHICH IS "WELL, IF YOU JUST CUT BACK A  
10  LITTLE, YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT." I'M REFERRING TO REAL ANSWERS.  
11  CASE IN POINT. I HAVE A SWIMMING POOL THAT NEEDS REDOING. I'VE  
12  DEVELOPED A LEAK. AND I'M LOSING WATER. I CONTRACTED WITH A  
13  LOCAL CONTRACTOR TO DO THE POOL, WHICH IS TO START ON JUNE  
14  9TH. I DID THIS BECAUSE HE SAID THAT HE HAD GONE TO THE  
15  COMMISSION AND BEEN TOLD THAT SWIMMING POOLS WERE EXEMPTED  
16  BECAUSE OF THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE INDUSTRY FACING COLLAPSE IF  
17  PEOPLE -- AND PEOPLE BEING LAID OFF. PEOPLE HAVING SWIMMING  
18  POOLS PUT IN EVERYWHERE. THE WATER THAT FILLS THE POOLS WOULD  
19  BE NO PROBLEM. NOW WITH THE NOTICES THAT COME OUT, IT WOULD  
20  SEEM THAT THAT'S NOT THE CASE. AND I DON'T DARE DO THAT UNLESS  
21  I WANT TO PAY QUADRUPLE CHARGES. MAYBE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS TO  
22  FILL THE POOL ONCE AGAIN. I'M NOT ALONE IN THIS. AND I'M SURE  
23  THAT THERE ARE OTHERS WHO ARE FACING THE SAME PROBLEMS. WE  
24  NEED AN APPEAL PROCESS. AND I NEED AN ANSWER. DO I GO AHEAD  
25  WITH HAVING MY POOL DONE? DO THE OTHERS GO AHEAD WITH HAVING

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1 THEIR POOLS DONE? OR DO WE CANCEL THE CONTRACT? SOMEBODY NEEDS  
2 TO TELL ME SO I CAN LIVE WITH THIS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. MILLER.

5

6 **FRED LAVEN:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COULD THE NEXT PERSON THERE COME TO  
9 THE PODIUM THERE? GOOD AFTERNOON.

10

11 **MARGARET O'BRIEN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARGARET O'BRIEN  
12 AND I LIVE IN LANCASTER. AND WE ALSO RECEIVED OUR NOTICE LAST  
13 WEEK. AND WE ARE BEING ASKED TO CUT 60 PERCENT OF OUR BILL.  
14 AND LAST YEAR, OUR NEIGHBOR INFORMED US WE HAD A LEAK THAT WAS  
15 GOING DOWN THE STREET. AND WE LOST A LOT OF WATER. AND UNDER  
16 THE CURRENT PLAN, WE WOULD BE TAXED FOR ALL THE OVER WHAT  
17 WE'RE ALLOTTED. AND SO WE WOULD HAVE TO PAY BECAUSE WE HAD A  
18 LEAK UNDERGROUND, ONE OF THE PIPES BROKE. AND ALSO, I AM 100  
19 PERCENT DISABLED. AND I DO A LOT OF GARDENING. I NEED TO HAVE  
20 -- ORGANIC FOOD IS EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE. AND SO I GROW MY OWN  
21 FOOD. AND I WON'T BE ABLE TO DO THAT IF THIS CURRENT STANDARD  
22 STAYS THE SAME. AND PEOPLE WHO ARE DISABLED NEED TO DO THOSE  
23 KIND OF THINGS BECAUSE IT'S VERY DEPRESSING. AND YOU NEED THAT  
24 OUTDOOR ACTIVITY. SO I'M HOPING THAT THIS WILL CHANGE AND YOU

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1 CAN HELP US OUT HERE. WE REALLY, THIS IS RIDICULOUS AND WE  
2 REALLY NEED YOUR HELP. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. NEXT PERSON, PLEASE?

5

6 **LORINDA JELI-DRELING:** HELLO, MY NAME IS LORINDA. I WANT TO SAY  
7 THAT I AGREE WITH WHAT WAS PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED THAT EACH HOME  
8 SHOULD BE TAKEN INDIVIDUALLY AND NOT AS AN AREA. HERE IN THE  
9 A.V., WE HAVE A LOT OF VACANT HOMES. SO WHEN YOU TAKE IN THE  
10 AVERAGE OF A NEIGHBORHOOD, YOU MIGHT BE TAKING IN THE AVERAGE  
11 OF HOMES THAT HAVE NO ONE IN IT AND NO WATERING AT ALL. AND SO  
12 I THINK THAT EACH HOME SHOULD BE INDIVIDUALIZED. ANOTHER THING  
13 IS I HAVEN'T BEEN HEARING ANYTHING ABOUT AREAS IN CALIFORNIA  
14 WHERE PEOPLE DON'T EVEN HAVE WATER METERS. ARE THEY STILL  
15 BEING ALLOWED TO USE ALL THE WATER THEY WANT? WHAT ABOUT  
16 PEOPLE WITH WELLS? ARE THEY BEING ALLOWED TO USE ALL THE WATER  
17 THEY WANT? ANOTHER THING, IRONICALLY HERE IN THE NORTHERN LOS  
18 ANGELES COUNTY, WE HAVE MILES UPON MILES OF SOLAR PLANTS WHO  
19 HAVE TAKEN OUT THE NATURAL VEGETATION AND YET THEY HAVE TO USE  
20 WATER TO HOLD DOWN THE DUST. ARE THEY BEING PENALIZED? SO I  
21 THINK THAT, AGAIN, ALTHOUGH I AGREE WITH WATER, YOU KNOW,  
22 REDUCING WATER USAGE, I THINK THAT IT SHOULD BE ON A CASE BY  
23 CASE BASIS. THANK YOU.

24

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1   **JOHN MERLUZZO:** GOOD AFTERNOON HONORABLE MAYOR, MY NAME IS JOHN  
2   MERLUZZO. I LIVED IN THE CITY OF PALMDALE FOR 30 YEARS. I'VE  
3   BEEN A CUSTOMER OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS FOR 30  
4   PLUS YEARS. THEY HAVE GIVEN ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEARCH THEIR  
5   WEBSITE. IN DOING SO, I HAVE SEARCHED MY USAGE FROM 2012 TO  
6   PRESENT. EVERY YEAR I HAVE BEEN UNDER THE AMOUNT OF WATER USED  
7   BY NOT ONLY MY NEIGHBORS BUT FOR THE CITY OF PALMDALE. I ALSO  
8   HAVE BEEN, SINCE THE YEAR OF 2012, USED LESS WATER THAN MY  
9   REGION, WHICH IS BOOK NUMBER 009. I ENCOURAGE YOU, WITH THE  
10   UTMOST IMPORTANCE, TO TAKE THE TIME TO LOOK AT WHO IS USING  
11   WHAT AND HOW MUCH WATER? I HAVE CONSERVED AND I HAVE PROVEN  
12   THAT I HAVE CONSERVED FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS IF NOT MORE. I  
13   ENCOURAGE YOU TO LOOK AT MY USAGE. I ENCOURAGE YOU TO LOOK AT  
14   MY ADDRESS, 17164, SCOLVIEW AVENUE IN PALM DALE. I ALSO  
15   ENCOURAGE YOU TO TAKE THE TIME TO GO BACK INTO THIS PROGRAM  
16   AND TO REALIZE THAT THE NUMBERS ARE WRONG, SIMPLY WRONG. YOU  
17   HAVE TOLD ME THAT YOU WERE GOING TO USE ME AS A 32 PERCENT  
18   REDUCTION FOR DISTRICT 40. HOWEVER, MY USAGE FOR 2014 WAS 55  
19   UNITS. I DON'T KNOW WHETHER YOU KNOW THE MATH OR NOT, BUT  
20   THAT'S NOT A LOT OF WATER. THAT'S 41,000 GALLONS. AND BY THE  
21   WAY, I USE LESS THAN HALF AN ACRE FOOT A GALLON A YEAR. THAT  
22   IS NOT A LOT OF WATER. YOU'RE ASKING ME TO CUT BACK 19 UNITS.  
23   SIMPLE MATH, SIR. 55 DIVIDED BY 19 IS 35 PERCENT. THIS IS  
24   INACCURATE INFORMATION. UNTIMELY INFORMATION. I THINK IT'S  
25   UNFAIR, EXCUSE ME. AND I THINK THE PEOPLE THAT ARE TRYING TO

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1 PUSH THIS THROUGH THAT ARE IN THAT MEETING SHOULD STAND BACK,  
2 TAKE A LOOK AT REALLY WHAT THEY'RE LOOKING AT AND GET THEIR  
3 NUMBERS STRAIGHT AND FIGURE OUT WHAT THE NEXT STEP WOULD BE.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE GOING TO HAVE THEM REVIEW THAT.  
6 WE WILL HAVE THEM REVIEW THAT. IS JASON ZINK THERE? JASON  
7 ZINK?

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9 **JASON ZINK:** YEAH, JASON ZINK FROM PALMDALE. I'M AGAINST THE  
10 SURCHARGES AND THE REASON WHY I'M AGAINST THE SURCHARGES IS  
11 BECAUSE IT WOULD BE UNFAIR TO THE PEOPLE OF THE ANTELOPE  
12 VALLEY, WHICH WE ARE UNIQUE BECAUSE WE ARE CLOSED BASIN. THE  
13 ANTELOPE VALLEY ACTUALLY SITS ON AN AREA THE SIZE OF LAKE  
14 TAHOE. AND THAT WATER TABLE HAS ACTUALLY BEEN GOING UP OVER  
15 THE PAST COUPLE YEARS BECAUSE NOW MORE PEOPLE, THE ALFALFA  
16 FARMERS ARE ON SEWER, USING SEWER WATER THE RESIDENTS OF  
17 PALMDALE LANCASTER, THEY PAY \$500 A YEAR ON THEIR TAX BILL,  
18 WHICH YOU KNOW MIKE ANTONOVICH SITS ON THIS SEWER BOARD. AND  
19 WE'RE ALREADY BEING UNFAIRLY TREATED BECAUSE OF PAYING FOR  
20 THESE SEWER PLANTS. SO WE'RE ALREADY CONSERVING WATER BECAUSE  
21 THE WATER IS BEING USED ON THE ALFALFA FIELDS WHICH REDUCES  
22 THE WATER, REDUCES THE WATER TABLE, DRAW ON THE WATER TABLE.  
23 SO WE'RE NOT IN A DROUGHT IN THE ANTELOPE VALERIE. IT DOESN'T  
24 NEED TO RAIN HERE FOR ANOTHER 50 YEARS. SO, FOR PUTTING FINES  
25 ON PEOPLE IS JUST WRONG. THE OTHER THING IS WHY DON'T WE GO TO

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1 THE GOVERNOR AND ASK HIM TO GIVE US SOME OF THE BOND MONEY AND  
2 GIVE US A COUPLE HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS TO DO THE GRASS  
3 REBATE PROGRAM. AND ABOUT THE GRASS REBATE PROGRAM THE COUNTY  
4 HAS IT'S A PERSON FROM WHITTIER; WE NEED A PERSON HERE FROM  
5 PALMDALE-LANCASTER TO RUN THE PROGRAM. IT TAKES SIX MONTHS TO  
6 DO THE PROCESS. IT'S A BURDEN ON PEOPLE. NO ONE WANTS TO DO IT  
7 BECAUSE IT'S TOO TIME CONSUMING AND TOO COMPLICATED OF A  
8 PROCESS. SO THAT NEEDS TO CHANGE. BUT FOR FINING PEOPLE IN THE  
9 ANTELOPE VALLEY IS JUST WRONG. AND I THINK YOU GUYS, WE NEED  
10 TO EDUCATE PEOPLE, NOT FINE PEOPLE, NOT PUT PEOPLE IN JAIL.  
11 THIS IS JUST WRONG. AND WE'RE SMARTER THAN THIS. THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. ARE YOU THE LAST ONE  
14 TO SPEAK?

15

16 **NICOLE PARSON:** HE'S THE LAST ONE, MR. A. BUT YOU CAN CHECK.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE. MR. SPINDLER, I  
19 TAKE OFFENSE THAT YOU USED THE NAME "ADOLF HITLER" FIVE TIMES  
20 FOR DIFFERENT ONES. USE YOUR NAME.

21

22 **WAYNE SPINDLER:** I'M ENTITLED UNDER THE BROWN ACT TO DO SO. YOU  
23 HAVE TO CALL THE CARD. THAT'S UNDER THE BROWN ACT. READ THE  
24 BROWN ACT.

25

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1     **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT SHOWS THE LACK OF RESPECT.

2

3     **WAYNE SPINDLER:** IT DOESN'T MATTER. YOU HAVE TO CALL IT UNDER  
4     THE BROWN ACT.

5

6     **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHO HAVE DIED BECAUSE OF THE POLICIES.  
7     NOW COUNTY COUNSEL, CAN A PERSON GIVE A FALSE NAME TO TESTIFY?

8

9     **LARRY HAFTZ, COUNSEL:** SUPERVISOR, YOU'RE ALLOWED TO DISALLOW  
10    SOMEONE AT A PUBLIC HEARING TO USE A FALSE NAME.

11

12    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU CAN DENY IF THEY USE A FALSE NAME?

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14    **LARRY HAFTZ:** YES. BECAUSE PUBLIC TESTIMONY, THEY RAISED THEIR  
15    HAND AND SWORE THAT THEY WERE GOING TO SPEAK THE TRUTH. AND IT  
16    APPARENTLY IS NOT THE CASE HERE.

17

18    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A MOTION AND SECOND, WITHOUT  
19    OBJECTION, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] QUESTIONS? THE QUESTIONS,  
20    YOU'VE HEARD THE RESIDENTS SPEAK. IS THERE AN APPEAL PROCESS  
21    TO PROTECT OR TO PROTEST THE TARGETS THAT HAVE BEEN LEVIED  
22    AGAINST THESE INDIVIDUALS?

23

24    **SPEAKER:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

25



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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WHAT IS THAT APPEAL PROCESS? AFTER  
2    THEY RECEIVE THE BILL OR BEFORE?

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4    **SPEAKER:** AS SOON AS THEY GET THEIR ALLOCATION, THEY CAN  
5    REQUEST AN APPEAL FORM, WHICH WOULD BE PROVIDED TO THEM. AND  
6    ONCE IT'S REVIEWED AND APPROVED, IT WOULD BE RETROACTIVE TO  
7    THE TIME OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PHASED WATER  
8    CONSERVATION PLAN.

9

10   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU HAD A CONSTITUENT STATING THEY  
11   NEED TO DECREASE FROM THEIR LETTER THEY RECEIVED FROM THE  
12   DEPARTMENT WATER USAGE BY 70 PERCENT. HOW IS A 70 PERCENT  
13   REDUCTION POSSIBLE?

14

15   **SPEAKER:** WELL, SUPERVISOR, THE APPEAL PROCESS THAT MR. RIKI  
16   MENTIONED, I THINK FOR US TO TAKE A LOOK AT EACH INDIVIDUAL  
17   USER, WE DO STRONGLY ENCOURAGE THEM TO APPLY FOR THE APPEAL.  
18   WE THEN CAN TAKE A LOOK AT THEIR PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES, THE  
19   SIZE OF THEIR PROPERTY, THE NUMBER OF RESIDENTS, THE  
20   ALLOCATION, THEIR WATER USAGE TO MAKE A DETERMINATION AS TO  
21   WHAT IS THE APPROPRIATE USAGE BASED ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES AND  
22   THEN MAKE AN ADJUSTMENT. SO IF WE DO HAVE THAT APPEAL PROCESS  
23   BUILT IN CURRENTLY IN THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE  
24   WATERWORKS DISTRICT. WE REALIZE THAT WE'RE ESTABLISHING THE  
25   BASE ALLOCATION BASED ON USAGE ACROSS THE RESIDENTIAL SECTOR.

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1 BUT WE DO REALIZE THAT MANY CUSTOMERS WILL HAVE PARTICULAR  
2 CIRCUMSTANCES. AS YOU HEARD MANY OF THEM TODAY. THAT WILL  
3 AFFECT THEIR USAGE AND THEIR ALLOCATION. AND WE STRONGLY  
4 ENCOURAGE THEM TO UTILIZE THE APPEAL PROCESS TO HAVE THEIR  
5 PARTICULAR CIRCUMSTANCES ADDRESSED.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHAT IS THE TIMETABLE, TIMEFRAME THAT  
8 THE STATE HAS REQUIRED THE COUNTY TO COMPLY WITH REDUCTIONS?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** JUNE 1ST.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THEY GAVE US A TIMEFRAME OF JUNE 1ST?

13

14 **SPEAKER:** YES, SIR.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THEN WHY WAS THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD A  
17 WEEK BEFORE JUNE 1ST?

18

19 **SPEAKER:** THE STATE REGULATIONS WERE APPROVED ON MAY 5TH. IT  
20 WAS VERY, VERY FAST, ACCELERATED PROCESS. THE EXECUTIVE ORDER  
21 WAS ISSUED ON APRIL 1ST. THE FINAL REGULATIONS WERE APPROVED  
22 ON MAY 5TH. WE WORKED AS FAST AS WE CAN TO GET IT TO THE  
23 CUSTOMERS A WEEK BEFORE AND THEN HAVE THE HEARING NOW. IT IS A  
24 VERY FAST PROCESS. BUT THAT STARTED AT THE STATE LEVEL  
25 UNFORTUNATELY.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SOMETIMES HASTE MAKES WASTE. THE  
3 QUESTION I HAVE OR THE SPECIFICS THAT WERE PROVIDED TODAY,  
4 SOME WITH ACTUAL STATEMENTS, BILLING STATEMENTS, BOTH HERE AND  
5 IN THE LANCASTER POST OFFICE -- OR LANCASTER LIBRARY, I WOULD  
6 LIKE TO CONTINUE THIS MEETING TILL NEXT TUESDAY. BUT I WANT TO  
7 HAVE SPECIFIC RESPONSES TO THOSE EXAMPLES THAT WERE GIVEN TO  
8 THE BOARD THIS AFTERNOON. SO I'M GOING TO MOVE THAT WE WOULD  
9 CONTINUE IT TO NEXT WEEK AND HAVE ANSWERS TO THE CHARGES THAT  
10 WERE LEVIED AGAINST THE DISTRICT TODAY BECAUSE THAT STILL  
11 COMPLIES WITH YOUR JUNE 1ST COMPLIANCE RECORD.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD SECOND THAT. ON MY MOTION, THOUGH, I ASKED  
14 FOR A 60-DAY REPORT. I THINK WE CAN MOVE THE MOTION. MOVE IT  
15 FORWARD WITH A 60-DAY REPORT BACK.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** A MOTION BY KNABE SECOND TO CONTINUE  
18 ONE WEEK AND THEN APPROVING THE AMENDMENT FOR REPORT BACK.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** A 60-DAY REPORT BACK.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'LL CONTINUE THIS MEASURE FOR ONE  
23 WEEK TO GET ANSWERS. AND THAT WILL STILL GIVE US TIME TO  
24 COMPLY TO THE JUNE 1ST DATE.

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, IF I MAY, I DO BELIEVE NEXT TUESDAY IS  
2 JUNE 2ND.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. I DON'T FEEL COMFORTABLE WHEN WE  
5 HAVE SPECIFICS BEING PRESENTED TO US TO MOVE FORWARD AND ADOPT  
6 A POLICY THAT MAYBE IT'S NOT CORRECT PERHAPS, IT COULD BE AND  
7 IT COULD NOT BE. BUT THERE'S QUESTIONS AND THERE'S SPECIFICS  
8 THAT WERE BROUGHT TO OUR ATTENTION THAT OUGHT TO BE EXPLORED  
9 AND REPORTED BACK TO THIS BODY IF WE ARE GOING TO BE A  
10 RESPONSIBLE BODY. AND WE CAN'T BE A RESPONSIBLE BODY UNLESS WE  
11 GET THE FACTS. AND WE'RE ASKING FOR AN INVESTIGATION TO REPORT  
12 BACK TO US SO WE WILL KNOW THE FACTS. SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I'M GOING TO ASK IF WE'RE GOING TO BE FINED  
15 IN ANY WAY BY THE STATE IF WE DON'T COMPLY BY THE JUNE 1ST  
16 DATE? AND IF YOU DON'T KNOW, CAN WE ASK COUNTY COUNSEL TO  
17 OPINE?

18

19 **LARRY HAFETZ:** SUPERVISOR, MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT A FINE WAS  
20 CONTEMPLATED IN THE PROCESS, AND I THINK IT WAS ULTIMATELY NOT  
21 INCLUDED IN THE MEASURE. SO I DON'T SEE A SIGNIFICANT RISK OF  
22 A FINE IF THERE'S A DAY DELAY. SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

23

24 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I THINK IN FAIRNESS  
25 TO THE DEPARTMENT, WE SHOULD BE A LITTLE CLEARER ABOUT WHAT

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1 THE QUESTIONS ARE THAT NEED TO BE CLARIFIED BECAUSE I AGREE. I  
2 THINK THERE'S ALWAYS A PROBLEM WHEN EVEN WE'RE UNDER THE GUN  
3 FOR THE STATE TO DO SOMETHING WHEN WE SAY WE'RE COMPLYING  
4 RIGHT AWAY. SO THE QUESTIONS I THINK ARE APPROPRIATE. BUT I  
5 THINK IT'S ONLY FAIR THAT WE CLARIFY FOR THEM WHEN WE POSTPONE  
6 FOR A WEEK WHAT WE WILL ASK THEM TO TELL US.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND YOU'LL GET THE RECORD, THE  
9 SPECIFIC NAMES AND FACTUAL INFORMATION THAT WAS PRESENTED  
10 DURING THESE INDIVIDUALS' PUBLIC TESTIMONY. FOR EXAMPLE, YOU  
11 HAD THE GENTLEMAN TALKING ABOUT THE TIERS. YOU HAD A GENTLEMAN  
12 TALKING ABOUT THE NUMBER OF AMOUNT OF WATER USAGE FOR HIS  
13 FAMILY. YOU HAVE A GENTLEMAN WHO HAS BEEN CONSERVING FOR FOUR  
14 YEARS, FIVE YEARS AND NOW THIS IS GOING TO REDUCE HIM FURTHER.  
15 I WOULD JUST -- WHETHER THEY ARE CORRECT, INCORRECT, WHERE THE  
16 POLICY OUGHT TO BE CHANGED. SO WHEN WE MAKE THIS DECISION,  
17 WE'RE GOING TO BE MEETING THE NEEDS OF THE STATE LAW AND NOT  
18 BEING TOO ARBITRARY IN REDUCING WATER FROM PEOPLE WHO HAVE  
19 ALREADY REDUCED THEIR WATER OR PREVENTING INDIVIDUALS FROM  
20 HAVING WATER BECAUSE OF THE POLICY THAT WE IMPLEMENT. AND ONE  
21 THAT INDICATED THE WATER RATE WAS GOING TO BE ESCALATED, I  
22 DON'T KNOW WAS IT A \$200 OR \$700, HAVING THOSE FACTS ANSWERED.  
23 IF THAT IS CORRECT FOR HIS PROPERTY OR HER PROPERTY, IT COULD  
24 ALSO BE CORRECT FOR OTHERS. AND YOU DON'T WANT TO HAVE PEOPLE  
25 FILING APPEALS WHEN PERHAPS WE COULD ADJUST A POLICY THAT WILL

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1 PREVENT APPEALS BECAUSE THE FEES THAT WE IMPOSE ARE GOING TO  
2 BE FAIR. THAT'S WHERE I'M --

3

4 **SPEAKER:** JUST FOR CLARIFICATION, MAYOR ANTONOVICH. THE ISSUES  
5 WE LOOK INTO AND WILL REPORT BACK WERE THOSE RAISED HERE AT  
6 THE MEETING TODAY AND THAT YOU SUMMARIZED. THAT IS THE ISSUES  
7 WE WILL DISCUSS NEXT WEEK WHEN WE RETURN.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** AND THAT MOVING FORWARD, THERE IS THE APPEAL PROCESS  
12 BUILT INTO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR OTHER ISSUES WE CAN  
13 DEAL WITH.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PERHAPS THE REGULATION HAS TO BE  
16 MASSAGED BECAUSE OF THE FACTS THAT ARE DISCOVERED. AND PERHAPS  
17 THE FACTS WON'T SUPPORT MASSAGING THE REGULATIONS. SO WHEN IT  
18 COMES BACK BEFORE US, MAYBE EXACTLY AS IT IS TODAY OR IT MAY  
19 BE CHANGED BECAUSE. INFORMATION THAT YOU HAVE ACQUIRED FROM  
20 THE INFORMATION THAT WAS PRESENTED TODAY AT PUBLIC TESTIMONY.  
21 THAT'S ALL I'M SAYING. SUPERVISOR?

22

23 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I WANT TO SAY ONE MORE THING. PEOPLE SEEM  
24 TO BE UNDER THE IMPRESSION THAT THEY'RE BEING COMPARED TO  
25 THEIR NEIGHBORS. SO THAT MY NEIGHBOR NEXT DOOR IS ONLY ONE

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1 PERSON BUT I'M FIVE PEOPLE. WHAT WE'RE BEING COMPARED TO IS  
2 OUR OWN USE. YOU LOOK AT MY BILL FOR 2014. AND THAT'S A BASE  
3 FOR MY CHARGES. AM I CORRECT?

4

5 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S ONLY FOR METERS LARGER THAN 1 INCH.

6

7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** RIGHT.

8

9 **SPEAKER:** BUT FOR METERS -- THE WAY THE PHASED WATER  
10 CONSERVATION PLAN IN THE RULES AND REGULATIONS TODAY SAYS FOR  
11 1 INCH METER OR LESS, YOU TAKE DISTRICT-WIDE AVERAGE BECAUSE  
12 THOSE ARE RESIDENTIAL METERS, AND THAT IS GOING TO BE YOUR  
13 BASELINE IN 2013. THEN YOU REDUCE THAT BY THE 32 PERCENT IN  
14 THE CASE OF WATER- WORKS DISTRICT 40. AND THAT BECOMES THE  
15 TARGET FOR EVERYONE THAT HAS 1 INCH METER OR LESS. NOW FOR  
16 THOSE THAT HAVE LARGER METERS, THEN THEIR TARGET USE IS THEIR  
17 ACTUAL USE IN 2013.

18

19 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** WHAT'S THE REASON THAT WE CAN'T USE THE  
20 ACTUAL USE FOR THE SMALLER METER?

21

22 **SPEAKER:** BECAUSE THE WAY THE PHASED WATER CONSERVATION PLAN IN  
23 THE RULES AND REGULATIONS SAYS THAT WE SHOULD DO THIS IS  
24 THROUGH THE DISTRICT-WIDE AVERAGE.

25



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1    **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THE STATE WATER REGULATIONS?

2

3    **SPEAKER:** THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE DISTRICT. OF THE  
4    WATERWORKS DISTRICT SAYS IF WE ARE TO GO INTO PHASED WATER  
5    CONSERVATION PLAN, WE SHOULD TAKE THE DISTRICT-WIDE AVERAGE  
6    FOR 1 INCH METER OR LESS AND USE THAT AS THE TARGET FOR EVERY  
7    CUSTOMERS THAT HAVE 1 INCH OR LESS METER.

8

9    **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** OKAY. I WANT THAT REPORT BACK, TOO. WHEN I  
10   WAS LIVING IN SACRAMENTO, IN THE LEGISLATURE, I WOULD FLY UP  
11   ON SUNDAYS. AND INEVITABLY I WOULD PULL UP TO THE HOUSE THAT I  
12   WAS RENTING AND MY NEXT DOOR NEIGHBOR WAS USING WATER, A HOSE  
13   HOOKED UP TO MY HOUSE TO WATER HER LAWN AND HER FLOWERS  
14   BECAUSE WE ALL GOT CHARGED THE SAME NO MATTER HOW MUCH WATER  
15   WE USED. WE WEREN'T METERED IN SACRAMENTO. AND I TOLD HER IN  
16   SANTA MONICA WHERE I LIVE IF I HAD SHOT YOU, IT WOULD HAVE  
17   BEEN A DEFENSE THAT YOU WERE USING MY WATER. BUT IN  
18   SACRAMENTO, NOBODY SEEMED TO CARE. NOW OF COURSE THEY'RE  
19   METERED. SO I THINK WE WANT TO LOOK AND SEE TO MAKE THIS AS  
20   FAIR AS WE CAN FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL THAT'S HAVING THEIR USE  
21   LIMITED.

22

23   **SPEAKER:** WE APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS, SUPERVISOR. THIS IS A  
24   COUNTY ORDINANCE WE'RE DISCUSSING. SO SHOULD THERE BE ANY NEED

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1 TO MAKE ANY ADJUSTMENTS MOVING FORWARD, WE DO HAVE THAT  
2 ABILITY.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO YOU MASSAGE THE  
5 MOTION. GET THE FACTS BACK AND WE'LL HAVE A DISCUSSION ON JUNE  
6 2ND.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** MY MOTION GOES FORWARD?

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND REPORT BACK ON THE OTHER ISSUE,  
11 CONSERVATION.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **LARRY HAFETZ:** JUST FOR CLARIFICATION, SUPERVISOR. THE PUBLIC  
16 HEARING WILL BE CONTINUED.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES. IT WILL BE CONTINUED. WITHOUT  
19 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM NO. 3. THANK YOU FOR COMING DOWN  
20 AND THANK YOU IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR GOING TO THE LIBRARY,  
21 AS WELL. THANK YOU. NO. 3.

22

23 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR:** MR. MAYOR, ON ITEM 3, THIS  
24 IS A HEARING ON THE PROPOSED CONTINUATION OF FISCAL YEAR  
25 '14/'15 LEVYING OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS IN LIGHTING DISTRICT AND

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1 LANDSCAPING LIGHTING ACT 1 FOR FISCAL YEAR '15' '16 AND ALL  
2 ZONES IDENTIFIED IN THE ENGINEERS' REPORT AT THE SAME RATE.  
3 THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT ON THIS ITEM AND NO  
4 CORRESPONDENTS WAS SUBMITTED AND NO MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ON  
5 THIS ITEM.

6

7 **JAMES CHAN:** MAY I NAME IS JAMES CHAN AND I AM IF HEAD OF  
8 STREET LIGHTING AND LANDSCAPING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT SECTION  
9 FOR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE  
10 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL STREET  
11 LIGHTING ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015/'16 WITH WITHIN  
12 COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1 FOR ALL ZONES ESTABLISHED FOR  
13 THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY AREA AND 14 CITIES SHOWN IN THE  
14 ENGINEERS REPORT. AT THE SAME RATES AS ARE BEING LEVIED THE  
15 SAME YEAR. IN MY OPINION, ALL THE REMAINING TERRITORIES WITHIN  
16 LLA-1 WILL CONTINUE TO BE BENEFITED BY THE SERVICES PROVIDED  
17 AND THE ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ZONES CONTINUE TO BE SPREAD IN  
18 PROPORTION TO THE BENEFITS PROVIDED TO THE INVOLVED  
19 PROPERTIES. IN MY OPINION, IT IS JUST AND EQUITABLE AND IN THE  
20 PUBLIC INTEREST THAT ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR INSTALLATION AND  
21 MAINTENANCE OF ADDITIONAL LIGHTS BE MADE A CHARGE UPON THE  
22 EXISTING DISTRICTS AS A WHOLE IN FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016. WE  
23 HAVE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED LEVY OF THE  
24 ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE NO PUBLIC TESTIMONY.  
2    SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL MOVE TO CLOSE THE HEARING  
3    APPROVE THE ITEM AND I WILL SECOND THAT MOTION WITHOUT  
4    OBJECTION, ITEM 3 WILL PASS. ITEM 4?

5

6    **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON ITEM 4, THIS IS A  
7    HEARING ON THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR  
8    LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING ACT DISTRICTS 1, 2 AND 4 AND ZONES  
9    IDENTIFIED IN THE ENGINEERS REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR '15/'16.  
10   THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT ON THIS MATTER. NO  
11   CORRESPONDENCE WAS SUBMITTED AND THERE IS ONE MEMBER OF THE  
12   PUBLIC.

13

14   **JAMES CHUNG:** MY NAME IS JAMES CHUNG AND I AM THE HEAD OF  
15   STREET LIGHTING AND MAINTENANCE DISTRICT SECTION FOR THE  
16   DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE  
17   PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY OF ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR  
18   2015-2016. IN ORDER TO FUND THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE  
19   COSTS WITHIN LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT DISTRICTS NO. 1, 2  
20   AND 4 AND ZONES THEREIN AT PREVIOUSLY APPROVED RATES. IN MY  
21   OPINION, ALL OF THE AREAS WITHIN LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT  
22   DISTRICT 1, 2 AND 4 AND ZONES THEREIN WILL BE BENEFITED BY THE  
23   SERVICES TO BE PERFORMED. IN MY OPINION, THE PROPOSED  
24   ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THESE ZONES WILL CONTINUE TO BE SPREAD IN  
25   PROPORTION TO THE SPECIAL BENEFITS PROVIDED TO EACH PROPERTY.

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1 WE HAVE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED LEVY OF  
2 THE ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT  
3 DISTRICTS NUMBER 1, 2 AND 4.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. NICOLE PARSON IN LANCASTER.  
6 NICOLE, ARE YOU THERE?

7

8 **NICOLE PARSON:** YES! YES, I'M HERE. HI, OKAY. NUMBER 4. WELL,  
9 IF WE'RE GOING TO HOLD OFF ON THAT, THEN THE ASSESSMENT FOR  
10 LANDSCAPING DISTRICTS HAS TO BE PUT ON HOLD, TOO. THAT'S IT  
11 RIGHT NOW.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE ON NUMBER 4.

14

15 **NICOLE PARSON:** OKAY. I DON'T RECALL BEFORE THERE BEING A  
16 LANDSCAPE ASSESSMENT. AND SO IF WE'RE GOING TO PUT THE  
17 LANDSCAPE ASSESSMENT ON THE WATER USAGE, WE NEED TO PUT THIS  
18 ONE ON HOLD, TOO. BECAUSE IT'S IN DISTRICT 5. AND THEN ALSO  
19 PUBLIC WORKS, I MEAN PUBLIC SAFETY. PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS  
20 THEY'RE SWITCHING. NOW THEY WILL BE IN THE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY  
21 SAFETY. BUT THEY WERE IN THE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY. PUBLIC  
22 SAFETY CLOSED DOWN. THEY ARE SERVICE WORKERS TO LANCASTER  
23 ONLY. AND YES WE MIGHT COULD HAVE AN ENVIRONMENTAL MEETING TO  
24 SEE IF THEY'RE GOOD ENOUGH TO WRIT OUR TICKETS ON OUR STREETS.  
25 BUT WE ALSO HAVE TO MAKE SURE, SEE IF THEY'RE GOOD ENOUGH TO

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1 BE NEIGHBORHOOD SNITCHES. WE DON'T WANT THEM LOOKING INTO OUR  
2 PROPERTIES. YEAH, LET THEM GO AHEAD AND TICKET OUR STREETS AND  
3 EVERYTHING. TICKET OUR STREETS AND OUR CARS, BUT PUBLIC SAFETY  
4 HAS NO -- I CREATED PUBLIC SAFETY, THE PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS,  
5 OKAY, AND FIRST THEY'RE CODE ENFORCEMENT, NOW THEY'RE TRYING  
6 TO GO BACK TO CODE ENFORCEMENT. ANOTHER THING ON PUBLIC  
7 SAFETY, CAN PASS. AND THEN DID YOU GUYS KNOW THAT YOU GUYS,  
8 THAT THE L.A. COUNTY SERVICE WORKERS TO CALIFORNIA? OKAY. AND,  
9 LOOK. PUBLIC WORKS, RIGHT? AND THEN THAT'S WHY YOU HAVE  
10 CALWORKS BECAUSE YOU'RE ONLY ADMINISTERS DO THE SERVICE TO  
11 CALIFORNIA. OH MY GOSH.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE. BYE-BYE. OKAY.  
14 SUPERVISOR SOLIS WILL MOVE THE HEARING BE CLOSED AND APPROVE  
15 THE ITEM AND I'LL SECOND THAT MOTION. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
16 ORDERED. NUMBER 5. NUMBER 5?

17

18 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** THIS IS A HEARING ON THE  
19 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH'S PROPOSED PUBLIC CHARGES FOR  
20 FISCAL YEAR '15/'16 JULY 1ST, 2015 TO COMPLY WITH FEDERAL  
21 SHORT-DOYLE/MEDI-CAL LOWER COST OR CHARGES REIMBURSEMENT AND  
22 RETAINED COST REQUIREMENTS. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT  
23 ON THIS ITEM. NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND WE DO HAVE  
24 PUBLIC COMMENT.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GO BACK TO THE ANTELOPE VALLEY NICOLE  
2    PARSON ON ITEM NO. 5 AND ARNOLD SACHS WILL COME HERE.

3

4    **NICOLE PARSON:** AS I WAS SAYING, SO IT'S MEDI-CAL. SO NOW MEDI-  
5    CAL, SO THE COUNTY IS SUPPOSED TO BE THE SERVICE WORKER TO THE  
6    FEDERAL HEALTHCARE. BUT THE STATE IS NOW TRYING TO BE THE  
7    SERVICE WORKERS FOR THE FEDERAL HEALTHCARE. AND THEIR  
8    FACILITIES THAT DAMAGED US AND THEY'RE TRYING TO GIVE THEIR  
9    LIABILITY TO YOU GUYS. AND KAISER IS THE ONLY ONE THAT WERE  
10    DAMAGED FROM THE FACILITIES, THE SOCIAL SERVICES. IF WE HAVE  
11    KAISER, THEN THEY ARE GOING TO PROTECT US AND MITIGATE OUR  
12    LOSSES AND OUR DAMAGES. BUT WE ALSO HAVE TO HAVE LIKE A C.U.P.  
13    OR SOMETHING. WE DO NOT WANT MEDI-CAL ON OUR OBAMA CARE. AND  
14    NO, MR. GOVERNOR, WE WILL NOT BE COVERED. WE WILL NOT BE  
15    SILENCED.

16

17    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU BETTER COVER UP, TOO. COVER UP.

18

19    **NICOLE PARSON:** OH, SORRY. I'M SORRY, SIR.

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21    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT'S OKAY. OKAY, NICOLE. THANK YOU.  
22    OKAY. SUPERVISOR KNABE WILL MOVE TO CLOSE THE HEARING AND I'LL  
23    SECOND THE MOTION. AND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. NUMBER  
24    6.

25



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1   **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON ITEM 6, THIS IS A  
2   HEARING ON APPROVAL OF THE ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR '15/'16  
3   TO ENABLE THE LOS ANGELES URBAN COUNTY TO RECEIVE AND  
4   ADMINISTER FEDERAL FUNDS, DESIGNATE THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT  
5   COMMISSION TO SERVE AS THE AGENT OF THE COUNTY FOR  
6   ADMINISTRATION OF THE ACTION PLAN AND ALLOCATE FUNDS. ON THIS  
7   ITEM, THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT. NO CORRESPONDENCE  
8   WAS RECEIVED AND THERE ARE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WISH TO  
9   SPEAK.

10

11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE'RE GOING TO GO BACK TO THE  
12   ANTELOPE VALLEY. NICOLE PARSON. NICOLE? AND ROBERT LUCAS. VEE  
13   KAY. ERIC PREVEN AND HERMAN HERMAN. OKAY, NICOLE.

14

15   **NICOLE PARSON:** SIR, I BELIEVE THAT THIS ITEM WAS CONNECTED TO  
16   ANOTHER ITEM THAT I SPOKE ON.

17

18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THAT'S OKAY. YOU CAN WAIVE.  
19   THANK YOU. MR. LUCAS?

20

21   **ROBERT LUCAS:** I WAIVE. MR. LUCAS WAIVES. MR. SACHS? MR. HERMAN  
22   HERMAN? MR. PREVEN?

23

24   **ERIC PREVEN:** COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN GO AHEAD.

2

3    **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH. THIS IS A LOT OF MONEY AND IT'S FOR THE  
4    COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, SO I WOULD JUST ASK THAT,  
5    FIRST OF ALL I THINK IT'S GOOD THAT THERE'S GOING TO BE AN  
6    R.F.P. AND WE WILL SOLICIT PROPOSALS APPROPRIATELY. I JUST  
7    WOULD WATCH THE C.D.C. ADMINISTRATIVE FEES AS WE HAVE LEARNED  
8    IN THE PAST. THOSE NUMBERS CAN ESCALATE IN AN UNWANTED MANNER.  
9    SO JUST MONITOR THAT. THANK YOU.

10

11   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. HERMAN?

12

13   **HERMAN HERMAN:** YES, IN REGARDS TO THIS HEARING, I NOTICE THERE  
14   WERE AN ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$42,924,400 FOR FEDERAL FUNDS --  
15   MR. RILEY? OH. LET ME GO BACK. PROGRAM YEAR COMMUNITY  
16   DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT. NOW, WHEN WE HAVE BLOCK GRANTS, THE  
17   SOLE PURPOSE MUCH THESE GRANTS IS TO ENSURE THAT THERE IS NO  
18   WASTE OR ABUSE TO PROGRAMS THAT ARE AN INVESTMENT TO THE  
19   COMMUNITY, MEANING THAT SUCH PARTNERSHIPS SHOULD PROMOTE  
20   PROGRAM FUNDS TO ALLOCATE ALL MONIES, ALL REVENUES, ALL  
21   SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS TOWARDS THESE GRANT FUNDS  
22   BECAUSE, AGAIN, IF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION CANNOT  
23   ALLOW ADEQUATE SERVICE, IT FALLS INTO A SITUATION SIMILAR TO  
24   HEALTHCARE SERVICES OR TO HEALTHCARE GIVERS. AND IN REPORT TO  
25   THIS, THIS ADOPTION, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT ALLOCATION FUNDS AND

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1 AUTHORIZED TRANSFER TO DEVELOPMENT COMMISSIONS. SO ARE WE  
2 TALKING ABOUT THE U.L.T.C.W. S.E.I.U. HEALTH CAREGIVER PROGRAM  
3 HERE? OKAY. I THOUGHT I'D JUST THROW IT OUT. BUT ANYWAYS,  
4 THANK YOU, MR. KNABE, FOR CORRECTING ME. IT IS JUST A THROW  
5 OFF PITCH IN OUR CARE FOR CARE FOR PEOPLE. THE EMERGENCY  
6 SOLUTION GRANT FUNDS, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND THIS  
7 COMMISSION. SO AGAIN I ASK THAT YOU PROVIDE SOME TYPE OF AUDIT  
8 TO ENSURE THAT THE DELEGATED MONIES TO THESE GRANTS AND THESE  
9 PROPOSALS ARE SPENT SPECIFICALLY ON THE PROPOSALS AND NOT  
10 GUTTED OUT IN ADMINISTRATIVE WASTE. THANK YOU.

11

12 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS.  
13 AND THIS FUNDING, THIS IS THE 41ST YEAR AGAIN, I CAN'T  
14 REITERATE HOW MANY TIMES HOW INSANE THIS SOUNDS. THE 41ST YEAR  
15 THAT THIS PROGRAM HAS BEEN IN EFFECT AND YOU HAVE ALMOST  
16 10,000, ALMOST 25 PERCENT AGAIN OF ROLLED OVER, 11,000, OF  
17 ROLLOVER FUNDING AVAILABLE. HOW DO YOU KEEP ACCUMULATING THESE  
18 HIGH PERCENTAGES OF ROLLOVER FUNDING THE 40TH YEAR IT WAS 33  
19 PERCENT BECAUSE IT WAS \$48 MILLION AND \$16 MILLION IN ROLLED  
20 OVER FUNDING. IN THE PREVIOUS YEAR IT WAS 14 MILLION OF THE 58  
21 -- 56 MILLION IN COMMUNITY BLOCK DEVELOPMENT GRANTS. SO THAT'S  
22 25 PERCENT AGAIN. FOR ACTION PLANS TO BE SUCCESSFUL, YOU NEED  
23 TO TAKE A LITTLE BIT BETTER ACTION. WHY DO YOU KEEP HAVING  
24 THESE AMOUNTS ROLLED OVER? AND I POINT OUT TO YOU THAT BACK  
25 JUNE 10, 2014, LEVERAGING STATE GRANT DOLLARS, THIS WAS A

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1 MOTION BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, TO ENROLL AT-RISK  
2 POPULATIONS, THIS IS AN AMENDMENT HE MADE, A MOTION. DIRECTORS  
3 OF DEPARTMENTS OF PUBLIC HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, HEALTH  
4 SERVICES, PUBLIC AND SOCIAL SERVICE AND THE SHERIFF TO PROVIDE  
5 THE BOARD WITH 14 DAYS PRIOR WRITTEN NOTIFICATION BEFORE THEY  
6 ROLL OVER OR REDIRECT ANY UNSPENT FUNDS OR BEFORE PROVIDING  
7 ANY INCREASE OR DECREASE IN FUNDING ANY ENTITIES. SO YOU HAVE  
8 A MOTION TO TELL YOU ABOUT ROLLED OVER FUNDING FOR TWO WEEKS  
9 IN ADVANCE, AND EVERY YEAR YOU HAVE A PERCENTAGE BETWEEN 25  
10 AND 33 PERCENT OF ROLLED OVER FUNDING. DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. AND  
11 THESE ARE COMMUNITY PROGRAMS THAT ARE REALLY NECESSARY. YOU  
12 MIGHT NOT BELIEVE THAT, BUT THEY ARE. THIS IS A STORY I GO ON  
13 ABOUT REDONDO BEACH BUT I DON'T WANT TO HAVE -- I'D SHARE IF  
14 SUPERVISOR KNABE WOULD SHARE --

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. THIS IS ITEM 6, 1-D  
17 AND 1-H, MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL TO CLOSE THE HEARING,  
18 APPROVE THE ITEM, SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
19 ITEM NO. 7.

20

21 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ITEM NO. 7 IS A HEARING ON  
22 THE FEES RELATING TO UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS AND ALSO TO  
23 INTRODUCE, WAIVE READING ON AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 11 ON  
24 THE AMENDMENTS TO THE REGULATIONS RELATED TO UNDERGROUND  
25 STORAGE TANKS. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS ITEM.

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1 NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND THERE ARE MEMBERS OF THE  
2 PUBLIC.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. LET ME PUT AN AMENDMENT TO  
5 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD IN ONE YEAR OUTLINING WHAT  
6 IMPROVEMENTS WERE MADE TO THE UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK  
7 INSPECTION AND PLAN REVIEW PROCESS TO JUSTIFY THE FEE  
8 INCREASES. AND THAT THE AUTOMATIC ANNUAL INCREASES BE LIMITED  
9 TO C.P.I. OR 2 PERCENT, WHATEVER IS LESS. WE HAVE PUBLIC  
10 COMMENT. WE HAVE NICOLE PARSON IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. NICOLE,  
11 ARE YOU THERE? AND ARNOLD SACHS.

12

13 **NICOLE PARSON:** YES, SIR. CAN I PASS ON THIS ITEM? IT WAS A  
14 MISTAKE.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS? KNABE ALSO.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE AN AMENDMENT TO GO ALONG WITH YOURS. CAN WE  
19 DO IT? THIS REVISED ORDINANCE PROPOSED FEE INCREASE WILL  
20 ENSURE A FULLY FUNCTIONAL EFFECTIVE PROGRAM AND REALLY  
21 APPRECIATE THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS STAFF'S EFFORT TO  
22 REACH OUT TO THE VARIOUS COMMUNITY GROUPS TO EXPLAIN THE  
23 PROPOSAL. I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE VARIOUS BUSINESS  
24 ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS THE L.A. COUNTY BUSINESS FEDERATION,  
25 WESTERN STATES PETROLEUM, CALIFORNIA INDEPENDENT, SORO AND

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1 OTHERS FOR THEIR CONSTRUCTIVE FEEDBACK AND WILLINGNESS TO WORK  
2 WITH US. SINCE WE ARE ENTERING OUR FOURTH YEAR OF THE DROUGHT,  
3 IT IS MORE CRITICAL NOW THAN EVER TO PROTECT OUR VITAL LOCAL  
4 WATER SUPPLY WOULD MOVE THE BOARD APPLY THE REVISIONS TO TITLE  
5 11 DIVISION 4 OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE PERTAINING TO THE  
6 REGULATIONS OF UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'LL SECOND THAT. OKAY. MR. SACHS.

9

10 **ARNOLD SACHS:** IT'S STRETCHING IT A LITTLE BIT. BUT WHAT ABOUT  
11 THE PIPELINES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY? ESPECIALLY BASED ON, YOU  
12 KNOW THERE'S AN OIL SPILL UP IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA OR BY  
13 SANTA BARBARA. WHAT ABOUT THE PIPELINE REGULATIONS AND THE  
14 INSPECTIONS OF THE PIPELINES? THERE WAS A SPILL IN SAN PEDRO I  
15 BELIEVE A YEAR AND A HALF AGO, OIL CAME OUT INTO THE  
16 NEIGHBORHOOD AND THE WONDERFUL JANICE HAHN, DOPEY JANICE HAHN  
17 WHO IS RUNNING FOR SUPERVISOR, SAID SHE WASN'T AWARE THAT  
18 THERE WAS OIL IN THE PIPELINES. SHE WAS THE CITY COUNCILWOMAN  
19 FOR THAT DISTRICT AND SHE WAS GETTING PIPELINE REVENUE THROUGH  
20 THE CITY'S FUNDING BUT SHE WASN'T AWARE THAT THERE WAS OIL IN  
21 THE PIPELINES. HOW DOES THAT WORK OUT? I MEAN, ACCORDING TO  
22 THIS ARTICLE ON THE PIPELINE BLOWOUT THAT OCCURRED,  
23 CALIFORNIA'S 6,000 MILES OF OIL PIPELINES ARE REGULATED BY THE  
24 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL.  
25 4/20/'13, THE FIRE MARSHALS OFFICE MANAGED 2,000 MILES OF

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1 INTERSTATE PIPELINES FOR THE FEDERAL DEPARTMENT MONITORING,  
2 INSPECTING AND REVIEWING COMPANY RECORDS. NOW THE FEDERAL  
3 GOVERNMENT OVERSEES THESE PIPELINES, INCLUDING THE ONES THAT  
4 FAILED LAST WEEK. DOES THE FIRE DEPARTMENT DO ANY INSPECTING  
5 FOR THE PIPELINES? IS THAT, I MEAN, CAN YOU WHAT IS IT,  
6 SANREMO UP IN SAN FRANCISCO. THAT WAS A PIPELINE THAT BLEW UP.  
7 THERE IS REALLY NO RESPONSE. THIS IS ANOTHER STORY IN THE L.A.  
8 TIMES FROM 5/17. INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIRS REMAIN A LOW PRIORITY.  
9 FORTUNATELY, WE KNOW THE COUNTY, WHEN IT COMES TO PRIORITIES,  
10 IS EVEN LOWER THAN WHAT THIS STORY REFERS TO.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND.

13

14 **LARRY HAFETZ:** SUPERVISOR, JUST ON THE AMENDMENT, WE HAVE SOME  
15 LANGUAGE THAT WE WILL ADD AND GIVE TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE FOR  
16 PURPOSES OF TODAY SO THAT THE ORDINANCE CAN BE ADOPTED TODAY.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. AS AMENDED BY COUNTY COUNSEL  
19 COMPLYING WITH THE MOTIONS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
20 THANK YOU. ITEM NO. 8?

21

22 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE  
23 APPEAL OF PROJECT NUMBER R2013-01249-(1) LOCATED AT 1401  
24 VALINDA AVENUE IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF VALINDA  
25 WITHIN THE PUENTE ZONED DISTRICT TO AUTHORIZE A TYPE 20



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1 LICENSE FOR OFFSITE BEER AND WINE SALES AT A NEW 7-ELEVEN  
2 CONVENIENCE STORE APPLIED FOR BY 7-ELEVEN INC. THERE IS A  
3 DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT ON THIS ITEM AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
4 RECEIVED.

5

6 **STEVE MARR:** GOOD AFTERNOON MAYOR ANTONOVICH, MEMBERS OF THE  
7 BOARD. MY NAME IS STEVE MARR. I'M WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF  
8 REGIONAL PLANNING. THE AGENDA ITEM BEFORE YOU IS A REQUEST FOR  
9 A CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT TO AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF BEER AND  
10 WINE FOR OFFSITE CONSUMPTION AT AN EXISTING 7-ELEVEN  
11 CONVENIENCE STORE LOCATED AT 1401 VALINDA AVENUE IN THE  
12 UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF VALINDA. THE CONDITIONAL USE  
13 PERMIT REQUEST WAS APPROVED BY THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
14 COMMISSION ON SEPTEMBER 18, 2013. STAFF HAS RECEIVED COMMENT  
15 LETTERS AND PETITIONS IN OPPOSITION TO THE REQUEST AND IN  
16 FAVOR OF THE REQUEST. THE INDUSTRY SHERIFF STATION REVIEWED  
17 THE APPLICATION AND APPROVED OF THE REQUEST. STAFF RECOMMENDS  
18 THAT THE BOARD FIND THE PROJECT CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE  
19 CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENT QUALITY ACT AND DENIED THE APPEAL AND  
20 UPHOLD THE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION'S APPEAL OF THE  
21 CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT AND INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE  
22 THE NECESSARY FINDINGS TO AFFIRM THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
23 COMMISSION'S APPROVAL. THIS CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION. I AM  
24 AVAILABLE FOR ANY QUESTIONS.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. PEDRO CARILLO.  
2    RAMANPREET SINGH. MONICA KRUEGER. ARJUN RAMCHANDANI.

3

4    **PEDRO CARRILLO:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF  
5    SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS PEDRO CARRILLO. I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF  
6    7-ELEVEN INC. WE WANTED TO IN THE -- BEING SENSITIVE TO  
7    PEOPLE'S TIMEY WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE 17 COMMUNITY MEMBERS  
8    THAT LIVE IN AND AROUND THE COMMUNITY AREA, THE COMMUNITY OF  
9    VALINDA AND HAVE BEEN VERY PATIENT HERE. THEY'RE BEHIND US.  
10   I'D LIKE TO ASK THEM TO STAND, IF I MAY, WITH YOUR PERMISSION.

11

12   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WILL YOU STAND? THANK YOU. WE  
13   APOLOGIZE FOR THE TIME BUT YOU'VE HEARD THE TESTIMONY.

14

15   **PEDRO CARRILLO:** AND I'M TRYING TO BE SENSITIVE TO THAT SO I  
16   WILL MAKE IT SHORT AND SWEET.

17

18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE UNDERSTAND.

19

20   **PEDRO CARRILLO:** BASICALLY I'M HERE TO COMMUNICATE TO THE BOARD  
21   THAT WE'VE GONE OUT OF OUR WAY TO BE SENSITIVE TO THE  
22   COMMUNITY AND TO THE NEEDS OF THE COMMUNITY. AND THAT WITHIN  
23   1,000 SQUARE FEET AND BEYOND IN THE COMMUNITY OF VALINDA,  
24   WE'VE GONE OUT OF OUR WAY AS A TEAM TO HIGHLIGHT THINGS THAT  
25   THE 7-ELEVEN AS A CORPORATION CAN DO BETTER. AND SO WITH ITEMS

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1 LIKE LIGHTING AND SECURITY FEATURES AND WITH REGARD TO BEER  
2 AND WINE, WE'VE ENGAGED LOCAL BEER AND WINE LICENSES AND WE'VE  
3 PLACED TWO IN ESCROW. OUR INTENT IS TO BE RESPONSIVE TO THE  
4 COMMUNITY'S REQUEST. THE MAJORITY OF THE FOLKS WHO HAVE  
5 OPPOSED THIS PROJECT HAVE BEEN SENSITIVE TO A GLARING PROBLEM  
6 AND THAT IS THE OVERSATURATION OF BEER AND ALCOHOL SALES IN  
7 THAT COMMUNITY. WE HEARD LOUD AND CLEAR. OUR RESPONSE AND OUR  
8 SOLUTION TO THAT IS TO WORK WITH THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO  
9 CONDITION BEER AND WINE, NO HARD LIQUOR SALES IN THE AREA AND  
10 TO PURCHASE ANOTHER LICENSE WITHIN THE VICINITY TO MAKE  
11 CERTAIN THAT THERE IS A DECREASE IN BEER AND WINE LICENSING IN  
12 THE VICINITY IN THE AREA. SO AGAIN WE'RE SENSITIVE TO THE  
13 OVERCONCENTRATION IN THE AREA. 7-ELEVEN IS COMMITTED TO THE  
14 REDUCTION OF BEER AND WINE IN THE AREA. AND AGAIN THAT HAS  
15 PROVEN TO BE OF GREAT CONCERN TO THE COMMUNITY. AS SUCH, 17  
16 GOOD NEIGHBORS HAVE BRAVED THE DAY TO COME DOWN HERE AND GO  
17 THROUGH THIS PROCESS AND ADD SUPPORT OF 7-ELEVEN AND IN  
18 OPPOSITION OF THE APPEAL.

19  
20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

21  
22 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I HAVE A QUESTION QUESTION FOR MR.  
23 CARRILLO. COULD YOU JUST REITERATE WHAT YOU JUST SAID  
24 REGARDING THE PURCHASE OF TWO ALCOHOL LICENSES AND WHAT YOU  
25 PLAN TO DO?

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1

2 **PEDRO CARRILLO:** ABSOLUTELY. SO AS A RESULT OF THE CONCERNS OF  
3 THE VICINITY, 7-ELEVEN HAS TAKEN STEPS TO PURCHASE TWO  
4 LICENSES, ONE OF WHICH WILL BE RETIRED, TRANSLATING INTO THE  
5 REDUCTION OF ONE LICENSE IN THAT AREA.

6

7 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** SO YOU'RE ACTUALLY REDUCING THE  
8 AVAILABILITY OF ALCOHOL IN THE VALINDA AREA BY TAKING THIS  
9 ACTION?

10

11 **PEDRO CARRILLO:** YES, MA'AM, SUPERVISOR.

12

13 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** I WANT THAT CLARIFIED FOR PEOPLE IN THE  
14 AUDIENCE.

15

16 **PEDRO CARRILLO:** AND IN ADDITION, WE WILL WORK WITH STAFF TO  
17 CONDITION THE USE ON THAT THROUGH THE C.U.P. PROCESS AND ADD  
18 ADD THE LIMITATIONS THAT ARE REQUIRED AND NECESSARY FOR THE  
19 AREA.

20

21 **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** WHAT ABOUT YOUR POLICIES AND PROTOCOLS IN  
22 HOW YOU PRESENT, SAY, PRODUCTS? WHAT ARE YOU DOING THERE?

23

24 **PEDRO CARRILLO:** ABSOLUTELY. I'D LIKE TO ASK MISS MONICA  
25 KRUEGER WHO IS HERE, WHO IS WITH THE COMPANY AND I'D LIKE HER

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1 TO ADDRESS THE SECURITY FEATURES THAT 7-ELEVEN WILL IMPLEMENT.  
2 I HAVE THEM HERE AND I'VE SHARED THEM WITH SOME STAFF. BUT I  
3 WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT SHE HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS  
4 THAT. MISS KRUEGER?

5

6 **MONICA KRUEGER:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MONICA KRUEGER AND  
7 I'M ON BEHALF OF 7-ELEVEN. I'M THE SENIOR REAL ESTATE  
8 DEVELOPMENT REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE SITE. AT THIS LOCATION WE  
9 HAVE ALCOHOL ON FIVE DOORS WHICH IS LIMITED TO 5 PERCENT OF  
10 SHELF SPACE THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE STORE. AND THOSE DOORS ARE  
11 LOCKED DURING NON-SELLING HOURS. AND WE'VE EVEN SUGGESTED THAT  
12 WE WOULD PUT REMOTE CONTROLS ON THERE INSTEAD OF JUST A LOCK  
13 AND KEY WHERE IT WOULD BE REMOTELY OPENED AND CLOSED BY THE  
14 SALESPERSON AS NEEDED. AND REDUCING THE ACCESS BY ANYBODY IN  
15 THE NEIGHBORHOOD THAT MIGHT NOT BE OF AGE. ALSO, WE'VE  
16 DISCUSSED NOT BLOCKING OUR WINDOWS WITH WINDOW SIGNAGE, WHICH  
17 I KNOW IS A BIG CONCERN FOR SAFETY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, BEING  
18 ABLE TO SEE OUT. WE GIVE IT THE FISH BOWL EFFECT WHERE WE ONLY  
19 LIMIT 25 PERCENT OF OUR WINDOWS TO SIGNAGE. AND HAVING A  
20 LARGER STORE, 3,000 SQUARE FEET, WE DO HAVE A FEW MORE  
21 WINDOWS, BUT WE DO HAVE THE ONE WINDOW CLOSEST TO THE SALES  
22 COUNTER THAT IS NEVER BLOCKED WITH ANYTHING. IT GIVES FULL  
23 VISIBILITY OF THE SALES COUNTER AND THE CUSTOMERS THAT COME IN  
24 AND OUT OF OUR STORES. PURE ACCESS TO SEE IN AND OUT AS WELL  
25 AS THE POLICE TO SEE IN AND OUT OF THE SITE.

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1

2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WHAT KIND OF TRAINING DO YOU PROVIDE YOUR  
3 STAFF ON THE SALE OF ALCOHOL?

4

5 **MONICA KRUEGER:** WE DO TWO TYPES OF TRAINING. WE HAVE AN IN-  
6 STORE TRAINING SYSTEM THAT TIES INTO OUR COMPUTER SYSTEM THAT  
7 MANAGES THE ENTIRE STORE. AND EVERY CLERK THAT COMES INTO OUR  
8 STORES TO WORK HAS TO GO THROUGH A SAFETY FEATURE TRAINING  
9 PROGRAM AND AN A.B.C. TRAINING PROGRAM. AT THAT TIME, WHEN  
10 THEY FINISH THAT, THEY ALSO HAVE TO GO THROUGH THE A.B.C.'S  
11 LEAD TRAINING PROGRAM. SO THOSE ARE DONE WHEN THEY FIRST ENTER  
12 THE STORE. AND THEN EVERY SIX MONTHS IT'S SUGGESTED AND  
13 RECOMMENDED THAT THOSE PEOPLE THAT ARE STILL WITH US GO  
14 THROUGH THE TRAINING ONE MORE TIME AND GET RE-CERTIFIED. AND  
15 THOSE CERTIFICATES ARE KEPT ON FILE IN THE STORE ON FILE FOR  
16 ANYBODY'S USE TO SEE WHEN THEY COME IN TO VISIT THE STORE.

17

18 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I DID WANT TO ASK YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT  
19 YOUR DISPLAY OF FOOD ITEMS BECAUSE ONE. THINGS THAT I KNOW  
20 I'VE HEARD FROM CONSTITUENTS OUT THERE IS THAT WE HAVE A HIGH  
21 TENDENCY TO HAVE MANY LIQUOR STORES THAT DON'T SELL, SAY,  
22 FRESH PRODUCE AND THINGS OF THAT NATURE. WHAT IS BEING  
23 PROPOSED FOR THIS SITE?

24

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1 **MONICA KRUEGER:** OUR MAIN FEATURE IS FRESH FOOD. WE DO SELL  
2 OTHER GROCERY ITEMS. BUT FRESH FOOD IS A BIG FOCAL POINT AS WE  
3 HAVE A NEW FRESH FOOD OPEN AIR CASE RIGHT ADJACENT TO THE  
4 SALES COUNTER. SO WHEN YOU COME IN, YOU SEE FRESH FRUIT, FRESH  
5 FRUIT CUPS, VEGETABLES, CUT VEGETABLES, FRESH SANDWICHES,  
6 SALAD, SUSHI, THINGS OF THAT NATURE THAT ARE DELIVERED FRESH  
7 DAILY.

8

9 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WOULD YOU TELL ME ABOUT A SAFE ZONE FOR  
10 CHILDREN? WHAT IS THAT?

11

12 **MONICA KRUEGER:** ABSOLUTELY. AND MANY STORES THAT WE'VE DONE  
13 THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, WE'VE MADE OUR STORES A SAFE ZONE, A  
14 SAFE HAVEN FOR SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN WHERE THEY CAN COME IN AT  
15 ANY POINT IN TIME DURING THE DAY, ANY DAY OF THE WEEK, AND ASK  
16 TO USE THE PHONE TO CALL A PARENT OR A GUARDIAN TO COME GET  
17 THEM IF SOMEONE'S FORGOTTEN THEM OR IF THEY FEEL IN ANY TYPE  
18 OF DANGER, WE WILL CALL THEM FOR THEM OR CALL THE POLICE IF  
19 NECESSARY.

20

21 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

24



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1   **RAMANPREET SINGH:** MY NAME RAMANPREET. I'M THE FRANCHISEE FOR  
2   THE 7-ELEVEN. I'M CURRENTLY A MANAGER OF ANOTHER 7-ELEVEN AND  
3   HAVE BEEN A MANAGER FOR CLOSE TO FIVE YEARS. IN THE PAST THREE  
4   YEARS THAT I HAVE HAD THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE AN IMPACT ON THE  
5   COMMUNITY, I HAVE SPONSORED MANY YOUTH PROGRAMS. CURRENTLY I'M  
6   SPONSORING YOUTH FOOTBALL PROGRAM. LAST YEAR I SPONSORED A  
7   CHRISTMAS YOUTH PROGRAM THAT WHERE WE DONATED \$711. THIS YEAR  
8   WE ARE ALSO DONATING \$711. ME NOT BEING THE FRANCHISE RIGHT  
9   NOW, I DO NOT HAVE ALL THE AUTHORITY THAT I CAN DO. BY ME  
10  BEING A FRANCHISEE OF THE STORE, I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO  
11  WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITY, DOING STUFF FOR SCHOOL SYSTEMS,  
12  WORKING WITH THE POLICE DEPARTMENT, DOING TOY DRIVES FOR  
13  CHRISTMAS, CAN DRIVES, STUFF LIKE THAT. I SIGNED MY CONTRACT  
14  FOR THE FRANCHISE TO HAVE THIS STORE FOR A YEAR AND A HALF. SO  
15  I'VE BEEN PATIENTLY WAITING FOR A YEAR AND A HALF TO HAVE A  
16  BUSINESS THAT I CAN RUN ON MY OWN.

17

18  **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I THINK ONE OF THE CONCERNS THAT COMES UP  
19  OFTEN IS THE FACT THAT OUR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT IS ACTUALLY  
20  MORE ENGAGED IN HELPING TO WORK WITH OUR BUSINESS OWNERS  
21  BECAUSE THERE IS THE CIRCUMSTANCES THAT ARISE WHERE YOU HAVE A  
22  LOT OF LOITERING AT SOME OF THESE OTHER LIQUOR STORES. AND THE  
23  TENDENCY TO SELL ITEMS TO MINORS AND ALSO TO SELL ITEMS  
24  INDIVIDUALLY. I UNDERSTAND THAT THAT'S THE CASE, TOO, IN TERMS  
25  OF CIGARETTES, FOR EXAMPLE, AND BEER.

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1

2 **RAMANPREET SINGH:** OUR P.O.S. SYSTEMS DO NOT ALLOW US TO RING  
3 UP ITEMS THAT ARE AGE-RESTRICTED. YOU HAVE TO MANUALLY. YOU  
4 CAN STILL SCAN PEOPLE'S I.D.S OR YOU HAVE TO MANUALLY ENTER A  
5 DATE OF BIRTH OR SOMETHING. AND ALONG WITH THE TRAINING THAT  
6 MONICA REFERENCED TO, I MYSELF, I'M AT THE STORE ALL THE TIME.  
7 SO I'M ALWAYS ENGAGING WITH MY EMPLOYEES ON CONTINUOUSLY  
8 GIVING THEM TRAINING AND MAKING SURE THAT THEY'RE ENGAGING IN  
9 GOOD BEHAVIOR, THEY'RE NOT DOING AGAINST.

10

11 **MONICA KRUEGER:** OUR AGE-RESTRICTED PROGRAM IS GOVERNED BY A  
12 PIECE OF EQUIPMENT IN OUR CASH REGISTER SYSTEM THAT WE SCAN  
13 EVERY ITEM. AND IF AN ITEM IS AGE-RESTRICTED, WHETHER IT BE  
14 GLUE, ENERGY DRINK, CIGARETTES, BEER, WINE, IT STOPS THE  
15 REGISTER. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A VALID ID TO GO FORTH WITH, IT  
16 VOIDS THE SALE RIGHT THEN AND THERE. SO WE DO NOT ALLOW ANY OF  
17 THOSE.

18

19 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

22

23 **MONICA KRUEGER:** COULD I ADD ONE OTHER BIT? I KNOW YOU WERE  
24 TALKING ABOUT THE POLICE. AND WE ARE OPEN TO OFFERING UP SPACE  
25 IN OUR BACK ROOM, A DESK, PHONE, SO THAT THEY HAVE ACCESS TO

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1 COMING IN TO PATROL THE AREA AND BE COMFORTABLE, TAKE A BREAK,  
2 USE THE RESTROOMS, GET A CUP OF COFFEE AND DO THEIR PAPERWORK,  
3 WHICH MAKES IT A MUCH SAFER ZONE IN THE COMMUNITY, A BEACON IN  
4 THE NIGHT, SO TO SPEAK.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** VERY SMART.

7

8 **RAMANPREET SINGH:** I CURRENTLY HAVE THE SAME PROGRAM IN MY  
9 STORE. THE STORE THAT I'M MANAGER AT IS ALSO IN INCORPORATED  
10 AREA. THE SAME GOES WITH THAT STORE, THAT SHERIFFS, POLICE  
11 DEPARTMENT IS ALWAYS WELCOME THERE. THEY HAVE A SMALL DESK  
12 THAT THEY CAN WORK OUT OF AND MAKE PHONE CALLS OUT OF.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR. AND THEN LET ME ALSO CALL UP  
17 RICKY BUENO. TERRY FLORES. DINORA DEL CARMEN. YES, SIR.

18

19 **ARJUN RAMCHANDANI:** MY NAME IS ARJUN RAMCHANDANI. I VOLUNTEER  
20 MY TIME AT HANDY LIQUOR WHICH IS AT THE EXACT SAME LOCATION IN  
21 THE SAME COMPLEX AS THIS PROPOSED 7-ELEVEN IS WANTING TO BE  
22 BUILT OR AT LEAST HAVE THE A CONDITIONAL BEER AND WINE PERMIT.  
23 I'M HIGHLY OPPOSED TO THIS. I MEAN, ALREADY WALKING DISTANCE  
24 OF COMPETITION. I MEAN, IT'S JUST I FEEL UNNECESSARY. I MEAN,  
25 YOU ALREADY HAVE A HIGH SATURATION OF LIQUOR STORES THERE WITH

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1 BEER AND WINE LICENSES. THAT WHOLE LIKE FREE KID ZONE THAT  
2 THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT, WHENEVER SOMEONE COMES INTO MY STORE  
3 AND WANTS TO USE THE PHONE, THEY ARE ALWAYS WILLING TO USE IT.  
4 IN FACT NOW I OFFER WI-FI TO MY CUSTOMERS THAT WANT TO, THAT  
5 THEY NEED TO PLUG IN OR ANYTHING LIKE THAT. I MEAN, WE'VE BEEN  
6 THERE FOR 10 YEARS NOW. MY FAMILY HAS BEEN RUNNING IT. I'VE  
7 BEEN VOLUNTEERING MY TIME LIKE ALL THE TIME. I'M PRETTY MUCH  
8 THERE SEVEN DAYS A WEEK. I MEAN, WHEN IT COMES TO LOITERING, I  
9 MEAN, WE NEVER HAD THAT ISSUE. IT'S BEEN VERY, VERY LOW COUNTS  
10 OF POLICE COMING ANYWHERE NEAR THIS COMPLEX. I FEEL WITH THE  
11 7-ELEVEN THAT WILL COME IN, IT WILL INCREASE IT. THEY MAY SAY  
12 THAT, BUT IT'S USUALLY THE FACT THAT IT DOES. THANK YOU FOR  
13 YOUR TIME.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

16

17 **TERRY FLORES::** MY NAME IS TERRY FLORES. I LIVED AT THIS  
18 RESIDENCE IN VALINDA 16129 FOR 37 YEARS. I PRETTY MUCH KNOW MY  
19 AREA. I LIVE ON MAPLE GROVE STREET, PROBABLY ABOUT 40 HOUSES  
20 DOWN FROM WHERE THEY'RE GOING TO PUT THIS 7-ELEVEN. I HAVE TWO  
21 DISABLED CHILDREN. ONE'S A PARTIALLY PARALYZED THE OTHER IS  
22 AUTISTIC. WE TAKE WALKS AT NIGHT. THIS PROJECT'S GOING TO  
23 BRING A LOT OF NEGATIVE ENERGIES AROUND, IF I MIGHT PUT IT  
24 LIKE THAT. I WOULD VERY MUCH APPRECIATE IT, I'M SPEAKING FOR  
25 DAYCARE ACROSS THE STREET, MANY PEOPLE CAN'T BE HERE, THEY

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1 WORK, THEY WORKDAY TIME. I TOLD THEM I'D MENTION THEM TO YOU  
2 FOR THEM. AND I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU JUST WOULD SEE THIS  
3 AS A BAD THING AND CARE ABOUT US AS THE COMMUNITY. I'M NOT  
4 HERE FOR ANY OF THESE STORES. I DO KNOW THE OWNERS. THEY KNOW  
5 THE PEOPLE AROUND, WHEN THEY'VE HAD TOO MUCH. THEY KNOW WHAT  
6 TO DO. I JUST THINK IT'S TOO MUCH IS TOO MUCH. GOD BLESS YOU  
7 AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

10

11 **RICK BUENO:** I'M RICK BUENO. I LIVE 10055 HEART VIEW IN THE  
12 CITY OF VALINDA. I'M JUST A CONCERNED PARENT. IT'S PLAIN AND  
13 SIMPLE. WITHIN A 2-MILE RADIUS WE HAVE ABOUT I'D SAY 15  
14 CONVENIENCE STORES THAT SELL THE SAME, I'M TALKING BEER, WINE,  
15 SO ON. IT'S NOT LIKE WE'RE SHORT OF THAT. I OPPOSE IT  
16 STRONGLY. FOR MY KIDS AND ALL THE KIDS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, WE  
17 DON'T NEED MORE. WE DON'T NEED -- WE'RE NOT LACKING GROCERY  
18 STORES. WE'RE NOT LACKING FAST FOOD STORES. IT'S JUST  
19 OVERPOPULATED. IT'S GOING TO GET MORE WORSE, I THINK. THE  
20 PARKING AREA IS VERY, VERY SMALL. I AM LOOKING AT THE STORE  
21 FOR THE CAR, THE PARKING IS JUST GOING TO BE OVERWHELMED. SO  
22 IT'S JUST PLAIN AND SIMPLE I'M TOTALLY AGAINST IT. WE DON'T  
23 NEED ANYMORE STORES. AND THAT'S ALL I GOT TO SAY, SIR.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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1

2 **RICK BUENO:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHY DON'T YOU MOVE OVER TO THE NEXT  
5 SEAT AND THEN I'LL CALL UP LUIS TORRES. LUIS TORRES.

6

7 **LUIS TORRES:** BUENOS TARDES.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU NEED INTERPRETER. I'M SORRY.

10

11 **LUIS TORRES:** [SPEAKING THROUGH INTERPRETER] GOOD AFTERNOON. MY  
12 NAME IS LUIS TORRES. I'M A PASTOR AT THE CHURCH OF CHRIST  
13 RESURRECTION.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOUR MICROPHONE.

16

17 **LUIS TORRES:** THIS PROJECT IS NOT GOOD FOR THE COMMUNITY NOR  
18 FOR THE SECURITY OF THE CHILDREN, THIS IS NOT SAFE OR SECURE  
19 FOR OUR FAMILIES OR OUR COMMUNITIES. WE DO NOT WANT MORE  
20 ALCOHOL AROUND THE AREA. THERE IS TOO MUCH IN THE SURROUNDING  
21 AREA. WE HAVE A LETTER FROM THE CITY OF COVINA AND THE CITY OF  
22 LA PUENTE OPPOSING.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP SHERRIE  
25 OLSON, GARY LAWSON, AND EMMA LINO. YES, MA'AM.

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2 **DINORA DEL CARMEN:** [SPEAKING THROUGH INTERPRETER] MY NAME IS  
3 DINORA DEL CARMEN. I'M HERE TO OPPOSE ALCOHOL AND CIGARETTES  
4 IN THE COMMUNITY. BECAUSE MANY TRAGEDIES HAVE OCCURRED AND  
5 THEY'VE ALSO HAVE INCINERATED THE CHURCH. AND OUR YOUTH ARE  
6 BEING LOST AND IT'S JUST THAT ATTENTION IS BROUGHT TO THE  
7 ITEM. THANK YOU.

8

9 **GARY LAWSON:** HI, MY NAME IS GARY LAWSON. PARDON MY VOICE. IT'S  
10 MISSING IN ACTION. I'LL TRY TO GET THROUGH IT BRIEFLY. I DID A  
11 LOT OF RESEARCH WITH OWNERS OF THE BUSINESS, THE CHURCH,  
12 RESIDENTS, CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF WEST COVINA, THE MAYOR AND  
13 CHIEF FAULKNER THE CURRENT CHIEF OF POLICE IN WEST COVINA. THE  
14 PEOPLE I'VE RESEARCHED WITH ARE TOTALLY AGAINST ANOTHER LIQUOR  
15 LICENSE IN THE AREA. THEY'RE NOT AGAINST 7-ELEVEN. THEY ARE  
16 AGAINST -- OPPOSE ANOTHER LIQUOR LICENSE. THERE IS FOUR LIQUOR  
17 LICENSES, TWO THAT HAVE LIQUOR AND BEER AND WINE AND TWO THAT  
18 HAVE BEER AND WINE ALL WITHIN 150 FEET OF EACH OTHER. NOW,  
19 WHEN YOU READ THE REPORT THAT THE COUNTY WROTE, WHICH THEY  
20 WROTE VERY WELL, HOWEVER, THERE'S A COMMON THEME IN THAT  
21 REPORT. THERE'S TWO COMMON THEMES. ONE IS UNDUE SATURATION.  
22 AND THE OTHER ONE IS, IN ADDITION, IS HIGH CRIME RATE. NOW SO  
23 THE REPORT WILL SHOW ALTHOUGH THERE'S HIGH CRIME RATE AND  
24 THERE IS UNDUE SATURATION THAT STILL 7-ELEVEN CAN MEET SOME  
25 STIPULATIONS. NOT ONLY THAT, THE CITY OF WEST COVINA PASSED A



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1 RESOLUTION AROUND A YEAR AGO OPPOSING ANOTHER LIQUOR LICENSE  
2 IN THE AREA. NOW, I REALIZE THE CITY OF WEST COVINA DOESN'T  
3 HAVE ANY INFLUENCE OVER WHAT THE COUNTY VOTE IS; HOWEVER, IT'S  
4 AN F.Y.I. FOR YOUR ATTENTION, PLEASE. THE OTHER THING I'D LIKE  
5 TO BRING UP IN THE REPORT, IT SAYS IT'S A NEW SHOPPING CENTER.  
6 IN FACT, IT IS NOT A NEW SHOPPING CENTER. THIS IS MY LAST, MY  
7 TIME'S EXPIRED. IT IS A REBUILT THREE BUILDINGS TO A SHOPPING  
8 STRIP. SO WE WOULD URGE YOU --

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT  
11 SPEAKER? I ALSO WANT TO CALL UP ROBERT LUCAS AND HERMAN  
12 HERMAN. GO AHEAD, MA'AM.

13

14 **EMMA LINO:** [SPEAKING THROUGH INTERPRETER] GOOD AFTERNOON, MY  
15 NAME IS EMA LINO. I AM A RESIDENT OF LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA. I  
16 AM OPPOSED TO THE APPEAL AND I AM FOR 7-ELEVEN. AND THE REASON  
17 IS FOR BECAUSE I PARTICIPATE IN ZUMBA FITNESS IN THE LOCAL  
18 AREA, AND WE ARE MEN AND WOMEN. AND THERE IS NO LIGHTING IN  
19 THE AREA. THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE THERE AND WE ARE ALWAYS WITH  
20 THE INSECURITY OF SOMEBODY SURPRISING US OR BEING THERE. AND  
21 WE ARE ALWAYS UNSURE OF WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN. I BELIEVE WITH THIS  
22 BUSINESS HERE, IT WOULD HELP US AND IT WILL ELIMINATE THE  
23 NUMBER OF PEDESTRIANS OR TRANSIENTS IN THE AREA. IT'S FOR OUR  
24 OWN SECURITY AND FOR HELPING US IN REALIZING, NOTHING FEARFUL  
25 WOULD HAPPEN OR DANGEROUS WOULD HAPPEN TO US.

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2 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SHE'S BASICALLY SAYING THAT SHE WOULD FEEL  
3 SAFER WITH HAVING 7-ELEVEN, YOU SUPPORT THAT BECAUSE THEY WILL  
4 PROVIDE, THEY ARE GOING TO BE PROVIDING ENHANCED LIGHTING AND  
5 MORE SECURITY BECAUSE CURRENTLY YOU TAKE A CLASS WITH OTHERS,  
6 ZUMBA, AND OTHER WOMEN ARE THERE AND THERE ARE FOLKS THAT ARE  
7 OUTSIDE RIGHT NOW THAT LOITER AND THAT YOU FEEL IT'S UNSAFE?

8

9 **EMMA LINO:** IT WILL BE EASIER TO ASK FOR HELP AS OPPOSED TO  
10 GOING OUT AND SEEING THERE'S NOBODY THERE PRESENT.

11

12 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** GRACIAS, THANK YOU.

13

14 **SHERRIE OLSON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS SHERRIE OLSON. I'M  
15 HERE ON BEHALF OF 7-ELEVEN IN SUPPORT. I WORKED ON THIS  
16 PROJECT FROM PLANNING COMMISSION TO ALL THE WAY TO HERE. I'VE  
17 BEEN OUT IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD QUITE A BIT. A WELL-LIT STORE  
18 WILL BE A VERY ENHANCEMENT TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. ALSO, I WANTED  
19 TO NOTE THAT THE MARKET NEXT DOOR TO US DID CLOSE DOWN. AND  
20 IT'S NO LONGER IN BUSINESS. AS US TAKING IN ANOTHER LICENSE  
21 FROM THE SURROUNDING AREA WILL NOT INCREASE THE NUMBER. AND  
22 ACTUALLY IT WILL BRING A DECREASE TO THE AREA. SO IT IS AN  
23 ADDED BONUS TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. I'VE BEEN AROUND THAT SITE  
24 QUITE A BIT. AND THIS IS GOING TO BRING NOTHING BUT GOOD  
25 GROWTH, JOBS INTO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. AND IT WILL BRING A WELL

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1 LIT STORE TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD, WHAT THEY REALLY NEED IN THIS  
2 AREA.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** WHO DO YOU REPRESENT? I'M SORRY.

5

6 **SHERRIE OLSON:** I'M HERE ON BEHALF OF MYSELF, P.L.R.C. I DID  
7 THE PLANNING COMMISSION. I WORKED WITH 7-ELEVEN CLOSELY AS A  
8 CONSULTANT.

9

10 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** THANK YOU.

11

12 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYBODY. MR. A., THAT WAS  
13 FANTASTIC. YOU KNOW, I'VE DEALT WITH 7-ELEVEN. PREVIOUSLY THEY  
14 WERE OWNED BY ADOHR FARMS. WHEN THEY STARTED OUT. THEN THEY  
15 STARTED TO GROW. AND THEY WENT INDEPENDENT. THIS I KNOW FOR A  
16 FACT. THE ONLY TIME 7-ELEVEN, THE CORPORATION, COMES OUT TO  
17 ADVOCATE FOR AN INDEPENDENT BUSINESS OWNER IT'S GOT TO DO WITH  
18 MONEY. A REAL ESTATE AGENT THAT WORKS FOR 7-ELEVEN, A  
19 REPRESENTATIVE FROM 7-ELEVEN, WE JUST GOT ANOTHER  
20 REPRESENTATIVE --OR SOMEBODY AFFILIATED WITH 7-ELEVEN. I WANT  
21 TO HEAR THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE IN THAT AREA, HOW DO THEY FEEL?  
22 WE GOT A LITTLE BIT OF IT. NOW, LISTEN, I'M ALL FOR EVERYBODY  
23 GOING OUT AND HAVING A GOOD TIME DOING WHAT THEY DO  
24 RESPONSIBLY. BUT I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE BEEN IN A 7-ELEVEN,  
25 THE ONES THAT I GO IN, THE HEALTH FOOD SECTION, OH, YEAH, IT'S

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1 A REFRIGERATED UNIT, ALL RIGHT. IT'S ABOUT 4 FEET WIDE. THE  
2 FRESH FOOD? IT'S PACKAGED AND DELIVERED FROM ANOTHER COMPANY.  
3 HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN REFRIGERATED BEFORE IT GETS TO THE STORE?  
4 SO LET'S GET THROUGH ALL THE FOG HERE. IT'S REALLY GOOD THAT  
5 THEY HAVE A POLICE DESK IN A 7-ELEVEN. THAT IN ITSELF TELLS ME  
6 THEY HAVE A CONCERN. THEY NEED A SPOT FOR A POLICE OFFICER TO  
7 BE IN THERE TO TOUCH BASE. THAT TO ME DOESN'T SOUND LIKE A  
8 GOOD AREA TO ALLOW MORE ALCOHOL TO BE SOLD. I'M TALKING BEER  
9 AND WINE. MAYBE NOT ALCOHOL. LET'S CLARIFY. BUT LET'S BE CLEAR  
10 ABOUT THIS. THEY ARE SPIRITS. THE MORE YOU DRINK, THE MORE  
11 SPIRIT'S COMING OUT OF YOU. WHAT IS IN THAT AREA AND WHY DO  
12 YOU NEED MORE? IS IT MONEY?

13

14 **HERMAN HERMAN:** OH, FIGHTING FOR THE PEOPLE. FIGHTING FOR THE  
15 PEOPLE, MR. MAYOR. ARE WE ASKING FOR A DETERMINATION OF  
16 APPLICATION FOR MORE NECESSITY AND CONVENIENCE OF ALCOHOL? OR  
17 IS THIS A CONVENIENCE OF NECESSARY CONSUMPTION TO CONSUME MORE  
18 ALCOHOL? IN AN UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY. YOU'VE HEARD THE MANY  
19 COMPLAINTS OF YOUR CONSTITUENTS. AND YET THE HEALTH AND  
20 SAFETY, THE WELFARE OF THOSE FIGHTING FOR THE PEOPLE IS NO  
21 LONGER AN INTEREST TO YOU, I GUESS, AT THIS POINT. I KNOW THAT  
22 THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, WHO FALL INTO YOUR  
23 DISTRICTS, THERE'S BEEN AN APPLICATION FOR MANY PERMITS.  
24 AGAIN, MANY PERMITS TO PURCHASE THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC  
25 BEVERAGES ON AN ON-SITE AND OFFSITE CONSUMPTION. ISN'T THAT

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1 PRETTY LOVELY? YET YOU, THE BIGGEST FIGHTERS FOR HEALTH AND  
2 SAFETY, MUST DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT: IS IT NECESSITY OR  
3 NECESSARY? IS IT CONVENIENT OR NECESSARY? TO DETERMINE WHETHER  
4 OR NOT WE SHOULD BE SUBJECTED TO THE ABUSE OF SALES FOR A 7-  
5 ELEVEN? HOW MANY MORE 7-ELEVEN OR CIRCLE K'S DO WE NEED? I CAN  
6 GO INTO THE 99 CENTS STORE, 88 CENTS STORES IN YOUR DISTRICTS  
7 AND FIND ALCOHOL BEVERAGES. OH, YES, I CAN, MR. KNABE. I'M  
8 GOING TO BUY YOU SOME KOREAN BEER. IT TASTES VERY GOOD IN MY  
9 PALATE OF ACQUIRE. BUT, AGAIN, I'M NOT A PROMOTER OF ALCOHOL.  
10 WE'LL SIT DOWN AT THE CAFE AND CUB MR. KNABE AND WE'LL ENJOY  
11 OUR SPIRIT DRINKS. AGAIN, I OPPOSE TO THIS. AND I BELIEVE YOU  
12 SHOULD STEP BACK AND RECONSIDER THE SALES OF ALCOHOL ON THIS  
13 MATTER. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS?

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17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** YES. I JUST WANT TO SAY I WANT TO THANK THE  
18 RESIDENTS FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT THAT CAME OUT ON BOTH SIDES.  
19 I KNOW THAT THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF DISCUSSION AND A LOT OF  
20 INTEREST ON THIS. I JUST WANT TO REITERATE THAT WHILE I KNOW  
21 THAT WE HAVE A LOT OF ISSUES IN THE DISTRICT, ONE THAT I AM  
22 CONCERNED ABOUT IS MAKING SURE THAT WE HAVE A CONTINUED  
23 PRESENCE OF OUR LAW ENFORCEMENT. AND ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I  
24 WOULD ASK AS WE MOVE FORWARD IS THAT WE ASK OUR LAW  
25 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, THE SHERIFFS THERE, TO DO MORE THAT THEY

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1 CAN IN TERMS OF LOCAL AREA ENFORCEMENT, DEVELOPING TEAMS THAT  
2 I KNOW GO OUT THERE AND ENFORCE SWEEPS AND STING OPERATIONS TO  
3 CLEAN UP THE COMMUNITY TO ENSURE SAFETY AND ENSURE THAT  
4 THERE'S NO SALES OF SINGLE CIGARETTES OR SALES OF SINGLE BEER  
5 CANS. I JUST WANT TO REITERATE THAT. I THINK THAT'S VERY, VERY  
6 IMPORTANT. I DO UNDERSTAND THAT IF 7-ELEVEN GOES IN, THEY HAVE  
7 A PROPOSAL FOR MORE LIGHTING. AND THAT THEY ARE GOING TO  
8 OBVIOUSLY HAVE MORE RESTRICTIONS THAN OTHER FRANCHISES OR  
9 OTHER BUSINESSES ARE CURRENTLY OFFERING. AND MY UNDERSTANDING,  
10 I JUST WANT TO CLARIFY, IS THAT WITHIN 500 FEET THERE IS  
11 ANOTHER LIQUOR ESTABLISHMENT.

12  
13 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S CORRECT. THERE ARE ACTUALLY, WELL, RIGHT NOW I  
14 GUESS WITH THE SUPERMARKET CLOSING, THERE ARE THREE OTHER  
15 ESTABLISHMENTS THAT SELL ALCOHOL.

16  
17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SO INDIVIDUALS FROM THE PUBLIC, I THINK,  
18 WERE SOMEWHAT MISLED BY SAYING THAT WE'RE HAVING AN  
19 OVERCONCENTRATION AND THIS IS GOING TO JUST CREATE A NEW  
20 PRESENCE WHEN IN FACT IT'S NOT TRUE BECAUSE IF THERE IS  
21 SOMETHING ALREADY THERE 500 FEET AWAY, THAT TELLS ME THAT  
22 THERE IS AN ESTABLISHMENT THERE. WHAT I DID HEAR 7- ELEVEN SAY  
23 IS THAT THEY'VE APPLIED FOR TWO PERMITS FOR ALCOHOLIC  
24 BEVERAGES AND THEY'RE WILLING AND COMMITTED TO ACTUALLY TAKING

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1 ONE BACK AND SO THEY WILL TERMINATE THAT SECOND LICENSE IS  
2 WHAT WE HEARD. I JUST WANT TO BE CLEAR ON THAT.

3

4 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** THAT'S WHAT THEY DID SAY, SUPERVISOR. THAT  
5 THEY'LL ACQUIRE TWO LICENSES, ONE OF WHICH THEY'LL USE. SO  
6 THERE WILL BE ONE LESS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD.

7

8 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** AND I WOULD THINK THAT -- THIS IS THE FIRST  
9 TIME I'VE HEARD THIS THAT THE SHERIFFS HAVE ACTUALLY GONE IN  
10 AND ESTABLISHED IN SOME OF THESE SITES, I DON'T WANT TO SAY AN  
11 OFFICE, BUT A PLACE WHERE THEY CAN USE SPACE AND HAVE  
12 CONVERSATIONS WITH PEOPLE AND HELP TO MONITOR. I KNOW THAT'S  
13 REALLY IMPORTANT WHEN YOU DO HAVE LAW ENFORCEMENT PRESENT,  
14 THAT DOES HELP DETER CRIME. SO I KNOW THAT THAT'S GOING TO BE  
15 KEY. I'M NOT AN ADVOCATE TO CONTINUE TO SEE MORE CONSUMPTION  
16 OF THESE PARTICULAR LICENSING AND WHAT THEY AVAIL, BUT I  
17 UNDERSTAND THAT 7-ELEVEN ALSO PROVIDES OTHER TYPES OF  
18 AMENITIES THERE THAT THE PUBLIC OBVIOUSLY IS LOOKING FOR. AND  
19 IT IS AN UPGRADE IN TERMS OF THE PROPERTY IN THAT AREA. AND  
20 THIS IS SOMETHING THAT ALSO THE CITY OF LA PUENTE, WE RECEIVED  
21 A LETTER FROM THE CITY MANAGER, UNLIKE THE CITY COUNCIL. OUR  
22 SHERIFF, OUR INDUSTRY SHERIFFS THAT PATROL THAT AREA, ARE ALSO  
23 IN AGREEMENT WITH THIS PLAN, IS THAT CORRECT? OKAY. THANK YOU.  
24 [APPLAUSE.]

25



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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. SECOND BY  
2    SUPERVISOR KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM NO. 9,  
3    SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

4

5    **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** YES. THIS IS A HEARING ON  
6    PROJECT NUMBER R2014-01331 AND ADVANCE PLANNING 2014-00005  
7    RELATING TO AN ORDINANCE AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 22  
8    PLANNING AND ZONING TO ESTABLISH COMPREHENSIVE AND REASONABLE  
9    STANDARDS FOR CONDUCTING YARD SALES ON PRIVATE PROPERTIES IN  
10   UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITIES OF THE COUNTY. ON THIS ITEM, THERE  
11   IS A DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
12   RECEIVED. AND THERE ARE MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO WOULD WISH  
13   TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

14

15   **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AFTER THE DEPARTMENT IS HEARD, I'D LIKE TO  
16   SPEAK.

17

18   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AFTER THE DEPARTMENT, SUPERVISOR MARK  
19   RIDLEY-THOMAS.

20

21   **JONATHAN BELL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
22   BOARD. MY NAME IS JONATHAN BELL WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF  
23   REGIONAL PLANNING. I AM BEFORE YOU TODAY ON AGENDA ITEM NO. 9,  
24   A PROPOSED UPDATE TO SECTIONS OF THE COUNTY'S PLANNING AND  
25   ZONING CODE ADDRESSING YARD SALES. ON APRIL 28, 2015, THE

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1 DEPARTMENT PRESENTED THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE UPDATE BEFORE YOUR  
2 BOARD. AT THE HEARING, SUPERVISOR SOLIS REQUESTED A  
3 CONTINUANCE SO THAT THE DEPARTMENT COULD CONDUCT ADDITIONAL  
4 COMMUNITY OUTREACH IN THE FIRST SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. I'D  
5 LIKE TO REPORT THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS MET WITH 10 COMMUNITY  
6 GROUPS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. OUTREACH WAS CONDUCTED IN BOTH  
7 ENGLISH AND SPANISH FOR OUR SPANISH SPEAKING COMMUNITY  
8 MEMBERS. AND THE ORDINANCE HAS BEEN WELL RECEIVED BY THE  
9 COMMUNITY. THIS PROPOSAL PROVIDES MORE OPPORTUNITIES TO  
10 CONDUCT YARD SALES THAN WHAT IS CURRENTLY ALLOWED BY CODE. THE  
11 ORDINANCE HAS BUILT-IN SAFEGUARDS SUCH AS ALLOWANCE OF ONE  
12 RETROACTIVE REGISTRATION, DESIGNATED WEEKENDS FOR YARD SALES  
13 AND DISCRETION BY THE ZONING ENFORCEMENT STAFF. OUR GOAL IS TO  
14 GAIN VOLUNTARY COMPLIANCE WITH THIS ORDINANCE. MR. MAYOR, THIS  
15 CONCLUDES THE DEPARTMENT'S STATEMENT. WE ARE AVAILABLE TO  
16 ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR?

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR AND  
19 COLLEAGUES. LET ME BEGIN BY INDICATING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF  
20 REGIONAL PLANNING SHOULD BE COMMENDED FOR THEIR DUE DILIGENCE  
21 IN THE LAST 30 DAYS SPECIFICALLY BUT MORE GENERALLY OVER THE  
22 LAST TWO YEARS THAT WE'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS ISSUE. AS HAS  
23 BEEN INDICATED, THIS PROVIDES PROPERTY OWNERS WITH MORE  
24 FLEXIBILITY THAN WHAT HAS BEEN THE CASE. BUT IT ALSO TACKLES  
25 THE MAIN ISSUE THAT WAS BROUGHT BEFORE THE BOARD SOME TWO

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1 YEARS AGO. BASED ON OUR CURRENT ORDINANCE, THE PROLIFERATION  
2 OF YARD SALES HAS IN ANY NUMBER OF COMMUNITIES CREATED  
3 EXTENSIVE BLIGHT. I WANT TO MAKE IT CLEAR. EXTENSIVE BLIGHT IN  
4 AN UNFAIR ENVIRONMENT AS CALLED TO OUR ATTENTION BY  
5 NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESSES THAT ARE LEGITIMATELY SELLING THE SAME  
6 GOODS. SO WE HAVE TWO CONSTITUENCIES OF CONSEQUENCE THAT ARE  
7 CRITIQUING, OBJECTING TO THE STATUS QUO. FIRST, PROPERTY  
8 OWNERS WHO ARE RESIDENTIAL OWNERS OF PROPERTY WHO OBJECT TO  
9 THE BLIGHT THAT'S CREATED IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS IN MANY  
10 INSTANCES. AND, SECONDLY, BUSINESS OWNERS WHO FEEL LIKE THEY  
11 ARE BEING DISADVANTAGED UNFAIRLY. I THINK WE HAVE AN  
12 OBLIGATION TO BE RESPONSIVE TO THOSE CONSTITUENCIES WITHOUT  
13 BEING OVERBEARING. AND OUR EXISTING ORDINANCE DOES NOT PROVIDE  
14 THE DEPARTMENT WITH AN ABILITY TO ADEQUATELY ADDRESS EITHER,  
15 THUS THE ORDINANCE THAT IS BEFORE US. AND SO THE DEPARTMENT  
16 HAS DONE EXTENSIVE COMMUNITY OUTREACH. THE NEW APPROACH, AS  
17 HAS BEEN INDICATED HERE, HAS BEEN RECEIVED APPROPRIATELY NOT  
18 ONLY WITHIN THE LAST 30 DAYS BUT PRIOR TO THAT AS THEY HAVE  
19 WORKED OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS TO BRING US TO THIS POINT. AND  
20 IT WILL ALLOW FOR MORE YARD SALES ANNUALLY. WE WANT TO BE  
21 CLEAR ABOUT THAT. BUT ALLOW FOR MORE EFFICIENT ENFORCEMENT  
22 PROTOCOLS. AND THAT IS WHAT'S NECESSARY THEY NEED TO BE CALLED  
23 OUT. THEY NEED TO BE EXPLICIT. AND THE RESPECTIVE STAKEHOLDERS  
24 SHOULD PREPARE TO GOVERN THEMSELVES ACCORDINGLY. THE REQUEST  
25 MADE BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO AFFORD HER THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO

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1 THE WORK THAT SHE NEEDS TO DO IN THE FIRST DISTRICT WAS  
2 GRANTED WITH RESPECT BECAUSE THESE ARE ISSUES THAT SHOULD BE  
3 UNDERSTOOD BY AS MANY INDIVIDUALS AS POSSIBLE. AND I BELIEVE  
4 THAT THE ENFORCEMENT PROTOCOL THAT SHE IS REQUESTING OR  
5 SUGGESTING IS A GOOD IDEA AND WE HOPE THAT THAT WOULD BE  
6 APPROPRIATELY ACCOMMODATED. SO, IF WE WERE TO SPEAK ABOUT THIS  
7 IN TERMS OF THE CHRONOLOGY, IT GOES BACK TO SEPTEMBER 18TH,  
8 2012 WHEN WE BEGAN TO MOVE THIS AGENDA FORWARD ALL THE WAY UP  
9 TO TODAY. MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I WOULD HOPE THAT WE CAN  
10 ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AS BROUGHT BEFORE US WITH THE ADDITIONAL  
11 CONCERN BEING RAISED OF THAT OF LAYING OUT MORE SPECIFICALLY  
12 WHAT THE PROTOCOLS ARE FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL WHO WOULD BE  
13 INVOLVED AND, FINALLY, A REPORT BACK AFTER A YEAR OF  
14 IMPLEMENTATION THAT WOULD GIVE US THE BENEFIT OF LEARNING HOW  
15 WELL THIS IS GOING. THAT CONCLUDES MY REMARKS, MR. MAYOR AND  
16 COLLEAGUES AND SUGGEST WE CAN MOVE FORWARD.

17  
18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS?

19  
20 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK THANK YOU AND I DO WANT TO THANK THE SECOND  
21 DISTRICT FOR ALLOWING US THE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW THIS. I  
22 UNDERSTAND THERE HAS BEEN A GREAT DEAL OF WORK PROVIDED BY THE  
23 REGIONAL PLANNING DEPARTMENT. BUT I DID FEEL AS A NEW MEMBER  
24 REPRESENTING THE AREA THAT THIS WAS A VERY URGENT ISSUE TO  
25 LOOK AT. I'M HAPPY TO HEAR THAT YOU REPORTED YOU DID THOSE

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1 HEARINGS OUT IN THE DISTRICT. YOU MET 10 SEPARATE TIMES WITH  
2 DIFFERENT GROUPS. AND MY STAFF ATTENDED THOSE MEETINGS AND  
3 THEY ALSO TOLD ME THAT THERE WERE MANY PEOPLE THAT WERE  
4 CONCERNED REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE CHANGES THAT  
5 WOULD BE COMING. AND THAT FOR SOME FOLKS IT WOULD BE TOO HARSH  
6 OR A BURDEN ON THEM BECAUSE THEY WERE NOT NEARBY, SAY, FLEA  
7 MARKET OR SWAP MEET WHERE THEY COULD READILY SELL ITEMS. MANY  
8 OF THE PEOPLE IN THE FIRST DISTRICT PARTICULARLY AROUND THE  
9 VALINDA OR THAT AREA WOULD HAVE THESE TYPE OF YARD SALES  
10 BASICALLY NOT TO SELL APPLIANCE OR COMPETE WITH BUSINESSES BUT  
11 TO SELL CLOTHING AND ITEMS. I SEE THIS HAPPENING FIRSTHAND.  
12 MANY OF THESE PEOPLE THAT WOULD BE FINED UP FRONT FOR WHAT IS  
13 IT \$712 COULD AMOUNT TO A WHOLE MONTH'S RENT FOR SOME OF THESE  
14 PEOPLE. SO IT IS A HARDSHIP. I DO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE'S BEEN  
15 A LOT OF WORK DONE. AND I KNOW THAT MY ROLE HERE WOULD ASK  
16 THAT WE CONTINUE TO SET SOME PROTOCOLS IN PLACE AND THAT WE  
17 ACTUALLY BE ABLE TO COME BACK TO THE BOARD AND PROVIDE THE  
18 RIGHT BALANCE OF INFORMATION OF HOW THIS IS BEING IMPLEMENTED  
19 AND WHAT WE ARE HEARING FROM OUR CONSTITUENTS. SO I WOULD URGE  
20 THAT. SO I'D LIKE TO READ IN AN AMENDMENT. AND IT READS AS  
21 FOLLOWS: THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING, IN COORDINATION  
22 WITH THE COUNTY COUNSEL, HAS DEVELOPED A YARD SALE ORDINANCE  
23 UPDATE CONSISTING OF AMENDMENTS TO TITLE 22 OF THE COUNTY CODE  
24 WHICH WOULD PROVIDE A PATHWAY FOR PROPERTIES IN UNINCORPORATED  
25 COMMUNITIES TO CONDUCT YARD SALE ACTIVITIES ON CERTAIN

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1 DESIGNATED WEEKENDS OF THE MONTH. THE ORDINANCE WILL PROVIDE  
2 COMPREHENSIVE AND REASONABLE STANDARDS TO ADDRESS YARD SALES  
3 IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. THE ORDINANCE REPEALS EXISTING  
4 YARD SALE REGULATIONS IN TITLE 22 AND ADDS A NEW PART 30 TO  
5 REGIONAL REGULATIONS CHAPTER 22.5.2 ADDRESSING YARD SALES ON A  
6 PROPERTY WITH ONE OR MORE DWELLING UNITS IN ANY ZONE. WHILE  
7 THE ORDINANCE WILL ALLOW FOR THE ENHANCED ABATEMENT OF ILLEGAL  
8 VENDING AND EXTENDED YARD SALES COMBINED WITH THE CURRENT  
9 NONCOMPLIANCE FEE OF \$712, IT THREATENS TO HARSHLY PUNISH  
10 HOMEOWNERS AND TENANTS WHO HOST OTHERWISE PERMISSIBLE YARD  
11 SALES ON NONDESIGNATED DAYS OR WITHOUT KNOWLEDGE OF THE  
12 ORDINANCE. ACCORDINGLY THE ORDINANCE WILL REQUIRE AN EXTENSIVE  
13 CAMPAIGN TO EDUCATE EVERYONE WHO MAY BE IMPACTED BY THIS  
14 EXTENSIVE REFORM. ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS MUST ALSO PROVIDE  
15 SUFFICIENT NOTICE AND ENSURE FAIR IMPLEMENTATION. I THEREFORE  
16 MOVE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS INSTRUCT THE DEPARTMENT OF  
17 REGIONAL PLANNING AND COUNTY COUNSEL TO CREATE AN ENFORCEMENT  
18 PROTOCOL FOR YARD SALE VIOLATIONS IN TITLE 22 AND CLOSE THE  
19 PUBLIC HEARING AND FIND THE ADOPTION OF THE YARD SALE  
20 ORDINANCE UPDATE LONG WITH THE ASSOCIATED ORDINANCE AMENDING  
21 SECTION 22.60.390.B.1 TITLE 22 OF COUNTY CODE IS NOT A PROJECT  
22 REQUIRING REVIEW OF THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENT QUALITY ACT  
23 CEQA OR ALTERNATIVELY THE ADOPTION OF THE YARD SALE ORDINANCE  
24 UPDATING THE ASSOCIATED ORDINANCE AMENDING OTHER PARTS OF  
25 TITLE 22 OF THE COUNTY CODE IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM CEQA

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1 UNDER CLASS 4. INSTRUCT THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING TO  
2 REPORT BACK WITHIN 12 MONTHS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW  
3 ORDINANCE WITH STATISTICS ON NOTICES AND ENFORCEMENT ORDERS  
4 ISSUED AND INSTRUCT COUNTY COUNSEL TO PREPARE THE FINAL  
5 ORDINANCE TO BRING BACK TO THE BOARD AT A FUTURE MEETING.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR I'LL SECOND THAT.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION AND SECOND.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D JUST LIKE -- OBVIOUSLY I'M SECONDING THE  
12 MOTION. I SUPPORT IT. IT IS A MAJOR PROBLEM IN THE FOURTH  
13 DISTRICT, AS WELL, IN OUR UNINCORPORATED AREA. WHILE I PREFER  
14 A LITTLE BIT MORE STRINGENT OPPORTUNITIES HERE, I CONCUR WITH  
15 THE RECOMMENDATION. I KNOW THAT THEY'VE REACHED OUT TO A LOT  
16 OF DIFFERENT PEOPLE AND HAVE HELD COMMUNITY MEETINGS IN MY  
17 AREA, AS WELL, TOO, BUT IT IS A VERY SIGNIFICANT PROBLEM. IN  
18 THE MOTION, ARE WE GOING TO GET BACK LIKE SEMIANNUAL OR  
19 QUARTERLY REPORTS ON WHAT KIND OF PROGRESS?

20

21 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I UNDERSTAND THE FIRST REPORT WOULD BE A  
22 YEAR OUT.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** HOW ABOUT SIX MONTHS OUT JUST TO SEE? BECAUSE I  
25 MEAN IT IS A HUGE PROBLEM.



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1

2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** SEE HOW IT'S PLAYING OUT? SIX MONTHS? IS THAT  
5 OKAY?

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** I MAKE THAT AMENDMENT. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE A MOTION AS AMENDED. WE  
12 HAVE PEOPLE TO SPEAK BUT I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS I WANT TO ASK.  
13 HOW MANY YARD SALES CAN YOU HAVE PER MONTH IN THE PROPOSED  
14 ORDINANCE AND IN THE ORDINANCE THAT'S BEING RECOMMENDED BY  
15 SOME SUPERVISORS TODAY?

16

17 **JONATHAN BELL:** THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE ALLOWS PEOPLE TO HAVE  
18 YARD SALES ON THE LAST WEEKEND OF EVERY MONTH IN THE CALENDAR  
19 YEAR. IN ADDITION, YOU CAN HAVE TWO OTHER YARD SALES WITH A  
20 SIMPLE REGISTRATION ON OTHER WEEKENDS IN THE CALENDAR YEAR.

21

22 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** IN THE CURRENT ORDINANCE ALLOWS ONLY TWO PER  
23 YEAR. SO THIS IS AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER PERMITTED.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** IT WILL BE A TOTAL OF 14?

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1

2 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** YES.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WHAT IS THE PENALTY IN THE  
5 PROPOSED ORDINANCE VERSUS THE EXISTING ORDINANCE?

6

7 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** THE PENALTY IS THE SAME FOR VIOLATING THE  
8 ORDINANCE.

9

10 **JONATHAN BELL:** WE HAVE A NONCOMPLIANCE FEE, WHICH IS \$712 AS  
11 THE SUPERVISOR INDICATED. IT IS ACTUALLY FOR COST RECOVERY  
12 PURPOSES. AND IT IS THE SAME FOR ANY ZONING VIOLATION.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HOW IS THE ORDINANCE ENFORCED?

15

16 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** QUITE FRANKLY, SUPERVISOR, MR. MAYOR, EXCUSE  
17 ME, THE ORDINANCE WILL BE -- THIS ORDINANCE HAS A BUILT-IN  
18 SAFEGUARD, IF YOU WILL. AND THAT IF YOU'RE FOUND TO BE IN  
19 VIOLATION, YOU CAN RETROACTIVELY, THE FIRST TIME, REGISTER  
20 FREE. SO YOU GET ONE, IF YOU WILL, ONE PASS NOTIFICATION IN  
21 EDUCATION. AND FOLLOWING THAT, AS WE DO WITH ALL ZONING  
22 ENFORCEMENT, WE SEEK NOT TO PENALIZE PEOPLE BUT TO GAIN  
23 COMPLIANCE. THERE IS THE OPPORTUNITY, IF YOU WILL, THERE IS  
24 THE PENALTY BUILT IN, BUT THE IDEA IS TO GAIN COMPLIANCE. BUT

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1 YOU DO GET ONE FREE PASS ALONG WITH EDUCATION IF YOU VIOLATE  
2 AND THAT'S WRITTEN RIGHT INTO THE ORDINANCE.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND HOW WILL THIS ORDINANCE DIFFER  
5 FROM THE OTHER MUNICIPALITIES OF 88 CITIES, HOW DOES IT DIFFER  
6 FROM THOSE JURISDICTIONS?

7

8 **JONATHAN BELL:** IT PROVIDES MORE OPPORTUNITIES PER YEAR. IT  
9 DESIGNATES A SPECIFIC WEEKEND, THE LAST WEEKEND OF EACH MONTH  
10 TO DO YARD SALES BY RIGHT. THE REGISTRATION FORM IS FREE.  
11 THERE IS NO COST. VERSUS SOME CITIES WHICH ACTUALLY CHARGE A  
12 PERMIT FEE. AND FOR COST RECOVERY PURPOSES, THE NONCOMPLIANCE  
13 FEE IS ISSUED ONCE VERSUS OTHER CITIES WHICH OFTENTIMES HAVE  
14 GRADUATED OR TIERED FINE SYSTEM. SO YOU CAN BE PENALIZED MORE  
15 THAN ONCE.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW, I UNDERSTAND THAT THE FIRST AND  
18 SECOND HAVE A SERIOUS PROBLEM WITH YARD SALES. WHY ISN'T THE  
19 DEPARTMENT AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ENFORCING THE YARD  
20 SALE REGULATIONS IN THOSE AREAS WHERE THERE IS A PROBLEM?

21

22 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** QUITE FRANKLY, IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO TRACK  
23 THOSE. THIS MAKES THE TRACKING MUCH MORE -- MUCH EASIER AND  
24 MAKES IT MUCH LESS STAFF INTENSIVE. SO THIS MAKES IT MUCH  
25 EASIER. IN THE CURRENT ORDINANCE, YOU CAN HAVE A YARD SALE ON

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1 ANY TWO, ANY DAY OF THE WEEK, ANY TIME THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

2 IT'S VERY DIFFICULT TO TRACK. THIS CREATES A REGISTRATION

3 SYSTEM AND MAKES IT MUCH EASIER TO TRACK AND LESS TIME-

4 INTENSIVE. AND WORKING WITH THOSE DISTRICTS, WE BELIEVE IT

5 WILL ABATE THE PROBLEM THAT EXISTS.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE SAYING RIGHT NOW WHEN THEY HAVE

8 A YARD SALE, THEY DON'T HAVE TO REGISTER.

9

10 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** YOU DON'T HAVE TO REGISTER AND YOU'RE

11 ALLOWED TWO PER YEAR.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THIS REQUIRES A REGISTRATION.

14

15 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** A FREE REGISTRATION, YES.

16

17 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** MR. MAYOR, JUST A QUESTION. YOU SAY FREE,

18 BUT WHAT ABOUT IF YOU'RE CITED DURING A WEEKDAY?

19

20 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** THERE'S A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BEING IN

21 COMPLIANCE AND NONCOMPLIANCE. IF YOU'RE HAVING IT DURING THE

22 WEEKDAY, THAT'S NOT PERMITTED UNDER THIS. AND SO YOU CAN'T

23 REGISTER FOR THAT.

24

25 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** SO YOU WILL GET HIT WITH THE \$712.

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1

2 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** IF YOU'RE VIOLATING THE ORDINANCE.

3

4 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** I JUST WANTED TO CLARIFY THAT.

5

6 **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** AGAIN THE EMPHASIS HERE IS NOT ON THE FINES  
7 OR FEES. THE EMPHASIS HERE IS ON THE EDUCATION AND OUTREACH,  
8 TO BRING PEOPLE INTO COMPLIANCE.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY QUESTION? WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT.  
11 OKAY. ROSALBA BRAVO. ANA JURADO. JOSEPH TITUS. HENRY PORTER.  
12 GOOD AFTERNOON, SIR.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** I WAS HERE LAST MONTH. AND I TRIED TO LET PEOPLE KNOW  
15 THAT THE YARD SALES IN FLORENCE-FIRESTONE ARE NOT YARD SALES.  
16 THEY SELL TOILET PAPER, SOAP, TOOTHBRUSHES, HAMMERS, NAILS,  
17 WHATEVER IT IS BRAND NEW. EVERYTHING IS BRAND NEW. ONCE IN A  
18 WHILE THERE IS ONE PERSON THAT SELLS SECONDHAND STUFF. NOW,  
19 IT'S NOT JUST ONE WEEKEND OR TWO-WEEKENDS A YEAR. THIS IS 365  
20 DAYS A YEAR THERE ARE INDIVIDUALS THAT SELL THAT OFTEN. NOT ON  
21 THE WEEKEND; IT'S 365 DAYS A YEAR. THIS PROBLEM WAS GIVEN TO  
22 YVONNE BURKE AND SHE SAID THE JOB WAS TOO BIG TO CHANGE THE  
23 COUNTY ORDINANCE. MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FINALLY GOT AROUND TO  
24 DOING IT. AND I HOPE, IF IT DOES PASS, THAT IT STOPS THE YARD  
25 SALES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO IN  
3 ANTELOPE VALLEY CALL UP NICOLE PARSON AND HERE LET ME CALL UP  
4 ROBERT LUCAS, ERIC PREVEN, AND ARNOLD SACHS. NICOLE?

5

6 **NICOLE PARSON:** HI, HELLO. I DIDN'T GET CALLED FOR NUMBER 8.  
7 OKAY. I DON'T -- THIS JOB IS NOT TOO BIG FOR ME. BUT IT'S NOT  
8 REALLY EFFECTIVE. OKAY. AND IT'S NOT -- BUT IT'S 5 O'CLOCK.  
9 THIS WAS THE ORIGINAL DESIGN BUT YOU GUYS CAN SEE THE  
10 SPECIFICATIONS THAT THIS IS NOT DONE BUT I'LL MAIL IT. SO THIS  
11 WILL BE LIKE DRAFT 1, 2, 3, OKAY. BUT I DON'T KNOW. I DON'T  
12 HAVE A TV. I WISH I HAD A PRINTER. I MEAN I HAVE A TV. I DON'T  
13 WANT A TV. I DON'T HAVE A COMPUTER SO I DON'T KNOW HOW REALLY  
14 I GET THIS STUFF. BUT THE TWO FIRE CHIEFS, THEY LOOK LIKE ME,  
15 THEY'RE THE ONES THAT SHOULD BE OVER OUR ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH.  
16 AND I DID NOT MEAN TO PROPOSE THE AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE ACT TO  
17 PASS IN 2010 BUT I DID. I DON'T KNOW HOW I KNOW THIS  
18 INFORMATION RIGHT NOW AND BRING IT TO YOU BUT I AM. AND SO  
19 FROM 2007 ALL THE LEGISLATION THAT'S COMING FROM HERE AND NOW  
20 AND SO ON THE OTHER PAPER, IT PROPOSES THE DROUGHT LANDSCAPE  
21 ACT WHICH IS 2007 AND ORIGINATES IN LANCASTER 2008. OKAY. BUT,  
22 NO, THE R.M.Z. ZONE. THAT'S WHERE I WAS SAYING WE'LL SEE ABOUT  
23 THE HOUSE AND THE HOME, WHERE WE'RE GOING TO PUT THE MONEY.  
24 THE R.M.Z. ZONE STREET FOR RECYCLED MATERIAL DEVELOPMENT.  
25 WE'RE RECYCLED MATERIAL AND WE NEED SUBSIDIZED HOUSING FROM

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1 AVENUE I TO PALMDALE, THAT'S ALL THE STATE ZONE. AND THE MOST  
2 VALUABLE PROPERTY IS ON AVENUE I AND 10TH STREET WEST. AND SO  
3 IN LANCASTER, SO REALLY SEE MISS SOLIS, THEY BOUGHT THE C.U.P.  
4 THEY BOUGHT THE C.U.P.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE. OKAY, NICOLE. MR.  
7 LUCAS.

8

9 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. IT SEEMS THAT YOU HAVE NIECES  
10 AND NEPHEWS ALL OVER. I BEING ONE. WITH THESE YARD SALES, YOU  
11 KNOW, I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOUR DEFINITION OF A YARD SALE IS, BUT  
12 WHEN I WAS A KID, IT WAS SOMETHING WE DID ON THE WEEKENDS. WE  
13 DIDN'T HAVE NOTHING ELSE TO DO. WE DROVE AROUND THE  
14 NEIGHBORHOOD. OF COURSE GAS WAS LIKE 45 CENTS A GALLON. BUT,  
15 STILL, THE FACT STILL REMAINS IT'S SOMETHING THAT PEOPLE DO ON  
16 THE WEEKEND. GO OUT AND LOOK AND JUST SCAVENGER HUNT WITH  
17 PEOPLE SUPPLEMENTING THEIR INCOME BY THINGS THAT THEY WANT TO  
18 GET RID OF. THAT TO ME IS A YARD SALE. I'VE ALSO SEEN WHERE ON  
19 THE WEEKENDS THESE LITTLE HUBBLES JUST POP UP. AND I MEAN  
20 TABLES, HANGER RACKS, STORAGE CABINETS, THAT'S NOT A YARD SALE  
21 TO ME. MY CONCERN WAS WHEN HE SAID "SELF-REGULATED". I HOPE  
22 THAT ALL THE INFORMATION WITH THE PEOPLE THAT YOU SENT OUT  
23 INTO THE FIELD, THEY ACTUALLY GOT OUT AND EXPERIENCED SOME OF  
24 THIS. BECAUSE I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU A COUPLE OF SIDES OF IT.  
25 MRS. SOLIS MENTIONED IT ABOUT THE SINGLE CIGARETTE AND THINGS



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1 LIKE THAT WHICH IS JUST ILLICIT STUFF TO BEGIN WITH. THE FACT  
2 OF THE MATTER IS SOME OF THESE BIGGER LITTLE HUBBLES THAT ARE  
3 SET UP, STOLEN MERCHANDISE, HOT MERCHANDISE, BROUGHT FROM  
4 MEXICO, CANADA, ANY OTHER LOGISTICAL PLACE THAT HASN'T PAID  
5 THEIR FAIR SHARE OF TAXES. NOW, LOOK, I DON'T LIKE TAXES MORE  
6 THAN ANYBODY ELSE, BUT THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THESE PEOPLE  
7 ARE MAKING MONEY OFF OF HARD WORKING PEOPLE AND NOT  
8 CONTRIBUTING TO THE GREATER OF THE WHOLE. BUT THE SELF-  
9 REGULATION WAS MY CONCERN. AND IF YOU CAN'T DRIVE AROUND AND  
10 TELL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A YARD SALE AND SOMEBODY SETTING  
11 UP A BUSINESS, YOU NEED ANOTHER JOB.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN?

14

15 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES. IT'S ERIC PREVEN, THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM  
16 DISTRICT 3. AND I'M PROUD TO SAY THAT DISTRICT 3 HAS HAD ZERO  
17 CASES OF YARD SALE CASES, ISSUES. APPARENTLY DISTRICT 1 HAD  
18 159. DISTRICT 2 HAD 218. DISTRICT 4 HAD ONLY 6. SO I DON'T  
19 KNOW HOW MUCH OF A BIG A PROBLEM MR. KNABE FEELS IT IS IN HIS  
20 DISTRICT AND DISTRICT 5 HAD 24 CASES. THAT WAS IN 2006 UNTIL  
21 JUST RECENTLY 2014. SO IT'S AN INTERESTING SIZE PROBLEM. AND I  
22 FEEL THE CONCERN OF RESIDENTS WHO MIGHT FEEL THAT THERE ARE  
23 PEOPLE RUNNING A BUSINESS IN THEIR DRIVEWAY. BUT I'M ALSO  
24 SENSITIVE TO THE FACT THAT, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE INDIVIDUALS IN  
25 OUR COMMUNITY WHO DO NOT HAVE GREAT JOBS, HAVE A HARD TIME AND

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1    NEED TO EARN SOME MONEY. AND TO RESTRICT THEM TO ONE WEEKEND  
2    AT THE END OF THE MONTH, WHICH I REALIZE IS FLEXIBLE AND THEN  
3    YOU CAN ADD TWO AND IT'S 14 TOTAL. BUT 14 DAYS OF WORK OVER  
4    THE COURSE OF A YEAR FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE TRYING TO EARN A  
5    LIVING THAT WAY IS HARD. AND THERE'S ANOTHER DETAIL WHICH YOU  
6    OUGHT TO LOOK AT IF YOU'RE REALLY LOOKING AT THIS. UNDER THE  
7    CITATION OF 22523160 THE OPERATIONAL STANDARDS OF THIS  
8    ORDINANCE, WHEN YOU GO DOWN TO C, ITEM NO. 2, IT SAYS "YARD  
9    SALE ITEMS OFFERED FOR SALE SHALL NOT INCLUDE RETAIL  
10    MERCHANDISE, OBVIOUSLY, NEW UNUSED OR PREPACKAGED ITEMS,  
11    DISTRIBUTED PACKAGED ITEMS INTENDED FOR RETAIL SALE, ANY FOOD  
12    AND BEVERAGES." THAT TO ME OUTLAWS A LEMONADE STAND. WHICH I  
13    DON'T KNOW IF WE WANT THAT NECESSARILY A PART OF THIS. TO  
14    RESTRICT PEOPLE FROM DOING IT EVER ON A WEEKDAY IS ODD BECAUSE  
15    IF BRUCKNER'S CONCERNED ABOUT REGULATING IT ON WEEKENDS, WE'LL  
16    BE ABLE TO KNOW BECAUSE THEY'RE ALL REGISTERED. IN WHAT PEOPLE  
17    ARE PEOPLE REALLY REGISTERING TO HAVE A YARD SALE? AND THE  
18    OTHER THING MY LAST 8 SECONDS, YOU ASKED, SOMEBODY ASKED WHAT  
19    ABOUT ENFORCEMENT, MR. BRUCKNER? AND MR. BRUCKNER DID A LITTLE  
20    FANCY FOOTWORK. BUT WHAT ABOUT ENFORCEMENT? NOBODY IS GOING TO  
21    GO OUT AND ENFORCE A YARD SALE ORDINANCE. AND IF SHERIFFS GO  
22    OUT AND DO IT, THAT IS EXTREMELY UNFRIENDLY. I DON'T KNOW. AND  
23    ALSO, FINALLY, SIGNAGE. THIS IS EXTREMELY RESTRICTIVE OF  
24    SIGNAGE FOR YARD SALES. I DON'T KNOW.

25

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS.

2

3    **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.

4    IT'S REALLY GREAT NEWS TO HEAR THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF

5    SUPERVISORS IS GOING TO ADDRESS BLIGHT CAUSED BY YARD SALES.

6    WILL THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN THE NEAR FUTURE LIKE

7    WHO KNOWS, AT THE END OF THE DAY, ADDRESS THE BLIGHT CAUSED BY

8    FORECLOSED PROPERTIES AND/OR GRAFFITI ON FORECLOSED PROPERTIES

9    OR LIKE ON THE BLUE LINE THAT RUNS FROM LONG BEACH TO DOWNTOWN

10   L.A.? IT WAS MENTIONED THAT YOU HAD MEETINGS, 10 COMMUNITY

11   GROUPS. NUMBER OF PEOPLE AT THESE MEETINGS? WE HEARD TODAY

12   THAT NOTIFICATION OF THE MEETINGS WE HEARD TODAY THE

13   NOTIFICATION OF THE WATER DISTRICT MEETINGS. 9:00 THIS

14   MORNING. THAT WASN'T RIGHT. SO HOW DID THAT NOTIFICATION GO

15   OUT? I'M GLAD TO HEAR PERMITS AREN'T NECESSARY, MR. RIDLEY-

16   THOMAS. WHY NOT FOLLOW THE CITY OF L.A.'S LEAD? YOU FOLLOW IT

17   IN THE NEW WAGE ORDINANCE YOU'RE CONSIDERING. EXCEPT THAT

18   REFERS TO JUST COUNTY EMPLOYEES MAKING SURE THAT THEY'RE

19   MAKING MORE THAN \$15. AND UNDER THE DEFINITION OF YARD SALES,

20   WOULD THAT INCLUDE ANYBODY SELLING FLOWERS ON THE HOLIDAYS?

21   AND LIKE CHRISTMAS AND MOTHER'S DAY AND VALENTINE'S? YOU KNOW

22   THE LITTLE BOOTHS THAT ALL OF A SUDDEN POPPED UP WITH ALL

23   THESE HOMEMADE TCHOTCHKES THAT PEOPLE SEEMED TO SELL? WOULD

24   THAT SEEM TO FALL INTO THE CATEGORY OF UNWARRANTED,

25   UNPERMITTED YARD SALE BLIGHT? I UNDERSTAND PEOPLE WITH

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1 BUSINESSES HAVING TO PAY THE CONCRETE CORE ASSOCIATED WITH THE  
2 BUSINESS. MAYBE YOU COULD LOOK THE OTHER WAY AND GIVE THEM A  
3 LITTLE BIT OF A BREAK. THE ECONOMY, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU  
4 NOTICED.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. I HAVE CONCERNS ON THIS.  
7 I'M GOING TO ABSTAIN. TOWN COUNCILS IN MY AREA HAVE TAKEN  
8 POSITIONS AGAINST THE ORDINANCE. AND I'M GOING TO ABIDE BY THE  
9 TOWN COUNCILS THAT WE HAVE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. SO WE HAVE  
10 A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. AND  
11 WITH ME ABSTAINING, SO ORDERED ON 4-1 VOTE. THANK YOU. ITEM  
12 NO. 10, SUPERVISOR KNABE, YOU HELD THAT?

13

14 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** AND THIS IS A HEARING ON  
15 PROJECT NO. R2007-02988 ALL DISTRICTS IN ADVANCE PLANNING  
16 PERMIT NO. 2014-000003 TO REPEAL THE DROUGHT TOLERANT  
17 LANDSCAPING AND GREEN BUILDING REQUIREMENTS FOUND ON COUNTY  
18 CODE TITLE 31 GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS AND SECTIONS OF TITLE  
19 21 SUBDIVISIONS AND TITLE 22 PLANNING AND ZONING AND REQUIRE A  
20 TREE PLANTING REQUIREMENTS ORDINANCE FOR NEW PROJECTS. THERE  
21 IS DEPARTMENT STATEMENT ON THIS ITEM AND CORRESPONDENCE WAS  
22 RECEIVED AND WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

25

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1    **DEAN EDWARDS:** GOOD AFTERNOON MY NAME IS DEAN EDWARDS I WORK  
2    FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. ITEM  
3    10 IS AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND TITLES 21 AND 22 TO REPEAL THE  
4    DROUGHT TOLERANT LANDSCAPING AND GREEN BUILDING REQUIREMENTS  
5    NOW FOUND IN TITLE 31 AND TO ESTABLISH TREE PLANTING  
6    REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW PROJECTS. THIS ORDINANCE SUPPORTS THE  
7    COUNTY'S STRATEGIC PLAN GOAL OF COMMUNITY RESPONSIVENESS WHICH  
8    STATES ENRICH LIVES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS BY  
9    PROVIDING ENHANCED SERVICES AND EFFECTIVELY PLANNING AND  
10   RESPONDING TO ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES.  
11   THE ORDINANCE'S TREE PLANTING REQUIREMENTS RESPONDS TO THE  
12   ENVIRONMENTAL CHALLENGES OF WATER POLLUTION, GROUND WATER  
13   DEPLETION, GLOBAL WARMING, AND THE URBAN HEAT ISLAND EFFECT.  
14   TREES PLANTED PURSUANT TO THIS ORDINANCE WILL ABSORB THE  
15   GREENHOUSE GAS CARBON DIOXIDE THAT CAUSES GLOBAL WARMING.  
16   ADDITIONALLY, PLANTED TREES WILL REDUCE WATER POLLUTION AND  
17   RECHARGE GROUND WATER BY RETAINING STORM WATER ON SITE.  
18   FINALLY, THE TREES WILL REDUCE THE URBAN HEAT ISLAND EFFECT BY  
19   SHADING IMPERVIOUS SURFACES AND BY THE BOTANICAL PROCESS OF  
20   TRANSPIRATION. DEPENDING UPON THE USE, THE ORDINANCE REQUIRES  
21   A CERTAIN NUMBER OF TREES BE PLANTED FOR NEW BUILDINGS OR  
22   LARGE ADDITIONS TO BUILDINGS. ALSO, THE ORDINANCE REQUIRES  
23   THAT TREES BE PLANTED WITHIN NEW UNCOVERED PARKING LOTS AND  
24   EXPANDED PARKING LOTS SO THAT AT LEAST 50 PERCENT OF THE LOTS  
25   WILL BE SHADED WITHIN 15 YEARS. THIS REQUIREMENT WILL REDUCE

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1 PARKING LOT TEMPERATURES BY APPROXIMATELY 9 DEGREES, WHICH  
2 WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE REDUCTION OF THE URBAN HEAT ISLAND  
3 EFFECT. THIS PROJECT IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM CEQA BECAUSE  
4 IT IS AN ACTION BY REGULATORY AGENCY FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE  
5 ENVIRONMENT. ON DECEMBER 17, 2014, THE REGIONAL PLANNING  
6 COMMISSION RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADOPT THE  
7 TREE PLANTING ORDINANCE BECAUSE IT WILL REMOVE REDUNDANCIES IN  
8 THE COUNTY CODE AND ESTABLISH TREE PLANTING REQUIREMENTS THAT  
9 WILL PROVIDE ENVIRONMENTAL BENEFITS TO THE UNINCORPORATED  
10 COMMUNITIES. THIS ORDINANCE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE PUBLIC  
11 AT APPROXIMATELY 10 MEETINGS. THE RESPONSE IS GENERALLY  
12 SUPPORTIVE. HOWEVER, ON MAY 15, 2015, THE BUILDING INDUSTRY  
13 ASSOCIATION ALSO KNOWN AS THE B.I.A., SUBMITTED A LETTER  
14 IDENTIFYING THEIR CONCERNS REGARDING THE ORDINANCE. IN  
15 RESPONSE, STAFF RECOMMENDS THAT THE ORDINANCE BE REVISED AS  
16 FOLLOWS: FIRST, DELETE THE DEVELOPED AREA DEFINITION. SECOND,  
17 REVISE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PLANTING OF TREES FOR PROJECTS  
18 THAT INCLUDE A NEW BUILDING OR ADDITION AS FOLLOWS REPLACE  
19 DEVELOPED AREA WITH BUILDING FOOTPRINT AREA. AND EXEMPT  
20 RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS SUBJECT TO TITLE 21, HEALTHY DESIGN, ON  
21 SITE TREE REQUIREMENTS. LASTLY, REVISE THE PARKING LOT TREE  
22 PLANTING REQUIREMENTS BY DELETING REFERENCE TO THE DEPICTION  
23 OF CONCRETE CURBS FOR PLANTERS AND REQUIRING THE DEPICTION AND  
24 LABELING OF PROPOSED TREES LOCATED OUTSIDE OF THE PARKING LOT  
25 THAT WILL SHADE THAT PARKING LOT. WITH THE AFOREMENTIONED

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1 REVISIONS, WE BELIEVE THE B.I.A.'S CONCERNS ARE ADDRESSED.  
2 THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION. I'M AVAILABLE TO ANSWER ANY  
3 QUESTIONS THAT THE BOARD MAY HAVE REGARDING THIS ITEM.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DO THE BOARD MEMBERS HAVE ANY  
6 QUESTIONS ON THIS ITEM? WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE SIGNED TO UP SPEAK  
7 ON IT. QUESTIONS?

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** NO. I HAVE NO QUESTIONS. I'M GOING TO ASK THAT WE  
10 CONTINUE THIS THING A MONTH. OBVIOUSLY, I WANT TO MAKE SURE  
11 THAT THIS IS COORDINATED. WE HAVE A SUSTAINABILITY REPORT  
12 COMING BACK NEXT WEEK. WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE GOT  
13 EVERYTHING IN THE MIX HERE AND SOME MORE OUTREACH. SO WE HAD  
14 SOME OUTREACH ISSUES, AS WELL.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO YOU WERE GOING TO MOVE TO CONTINUE  
17 IT?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** YES.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND NICOLE, THIS IS GOING TO BE  
22 CONTINUED. WHO ELSE IS THERE RIGHT NOW?

23

24 **SPEAKER:** THERE'S NO ONE HERE.

25



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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. AND THEN MR. PREVEN, THIS IS  
2    GOING TO BE CONTINUED UNTIL NEXT WEEK. YOU DON'T NEED TO  
3    SPEAK, IS THAT OKAY? OKAY. SO WE HAVE A MOTION BY KNABE.  
4    SECONDED TO CONTINUE THIS UNTIL NEXT WEEK. WITHOUT OBJECTION.  
5    JUNE 23. IT WILL BE CONTINUED TO JUNE 23. WITHOUT OBJECTION,  
6    SO ORDERED. LET ME CALL UP 32-B AT THIS TIME. AND LET ME ASK  
7    OUR C.E.O. A VERY IMPORTANT QUESTION. COMING BACK FROM NEW  
8    YORK WITH THE BOND RATING AGENCIES, THE FINANCIAL RATING  
9    AGENCIES, WE'RE VERY PROUD OF THE FACT WE HAVE A VERY STRONG  
10   RATING IN THIS NATION. COULD WE HAVE SOME FEEDBACK ON WHAT  
11   HAPPENED AND WHAT WERE THE QUESTIONS AND WHAT IS YOUR RESPONSE  
12   TO THE BOARD?

13

14   **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** ABSOLUTELY. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.  
15   MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. AND AS YOU INDICATED LAST THURSDAY, I  
16   WAS IN NEW YORK WITH OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER AND OUR TREASURER  
17   TAX COLLECTOR TO MEET WITH THREE RATING AGENCIES: STANDARD &  
18   POORS, FITCH AND MOODY'S. THE MEETINGS WERE SCHEDULED IN  
19   RELATION TO THE COUNTY'S ANNUAL TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION  
20   NOTE FINANCING, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS "TRANS." THE MEETINGS WERE  
21   ALSO AN OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT AN UPDATE ON THE COUNTY'S LONG-  
22   TERM FISCAL CONDITION. OVERALL, THESE MEETINGS WERE VERY  
23   SUCCESSFUL. AND EACH OF THE RATING AGENCIES PRAISED THE COUNTY  
24   AND OUR BOARD FOR ITS HISTORY OF CONSERVATIVE FISCAL  
25   MANAGEMENT AND ITS FORMAL POLICIES FOR MANAGING ITS BUDGETS.

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1 IN PARTICULAR, THEY THOUGHT WELL OF THE MEASURES THAT YOU HAD  
2 TAKEN LAST FALL. THE COUNTY WAS GENERALLY VIEWED IN A POSITIVE  
3 LIGHT, GIVING OUR IMPROVING ECONOMY, RISING PROPERTY TAX  
4 REVENUE AND THE CURRENT STABILITY OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.  
5 THE RATING AGENCIES DID, HOWEVER, EXPRESS SOME CONCERN OVER  
6 THE COUNTY'S HOSPITAL SYSTEM AND OUR EXTREMELY LARGE OTHER  
7 POST-EMPLOYEE BENEFIT OTHERWISE KNOWN AS OPEB, OR UNFUNDED  
8 LIABILITY FOR RETIREE HEALTH. IN DISCUSSING THESE ISSUES, I  
9 REMINDED THE RATING AGENCIES OF THE IMPROVEMENTS WE ARE MAKING  
10 TO THE HEALTHCARE DELIVERY MODEL AND THE RECENT EMPHASIS ON  
11 MANAGING UNFUNDED LIABILITIES. WITH RESPECT TO THE HOSPITAL  
12 SYSTEM, THE RATING AGENCIES ARE VERY FOCUSED ON THE EXTENSION  
13 OF THE 1115 WAIVER. EVEN WITH THE SUCCESS OF THE AFFORDABLE  
14 CARE ACT, THE RATING AGENCIES VIEW WAIVER REVENUES AS A  
15 CRITICAL COMPONENT OF OUR HOSPITAL BUDGET. AS FOR THE \$27  
16 BILLION OPEB UNFUNDED LIABILITY THE RATING AGENCIES GAVE  
17 CREDIT TO THE COUNTY FOR ESTABLISHING AN OPEB TRUST IN 2012.  
18 THEIR INTEREST NOW IS WHETHER THE COUNTY WILL BEGIN TO PREFUND  
19 THIS OBLIGATION IN THE HOPES OF REDUCING THE LONG TERM  
20 LIABILITY. AS YOU MAY KNOW, I PUT A REPORT FORWARD ON MAY 14TH  
21 TO THIS BOARD IN RESPONSE TO A MOTION PREVIOUSLY MOVED BY YOUR  
22 BOARD. AND IT CONTAINED VARIOUS OPTIONS. AND I PLAN TO RETURN  
23 IN FINAL CHANGES WITH A RECOMMENDATION. WHILE I UNDERSTAND  
24 THAT THE RATING AGENCIES WILL NEVER DISCLOSE EXACTLY WHAT IS  
25 REQUIRED TO OBTAIN A CREDIT UPGRADE, WE BELIEVE A FUTURE

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1 UPGRADE HINGES ON THE FISCAL HEALTH OF OUR HOSPITAL SYSTEM AND  
2 OUR COMMITMENT TO SUCCESSFULLY MANAGING THE OPEB LIABILITY. IN  
3 RELATION TO JUST THE CURRENT TRANS BORROWING, OUR TREASURER  
4 AND TAX COLLECTOR FULLY EXPECTS TO ONCE AGAIN RECEIVE THE  
5 HIGHEST SHORT-TERM RATINGS. WE HAVE THE POSSIBILITY OF A LONG  
6 TERM RATING UPGRADE LIKELY DEPENDS ON FURTHER PROGRESS OF THE  
7 1115 WAIVER AND THE OPEB PRE-FUNDING. AT THIS POINT I AM HAPPY  
8 TO TAKE ANY QUESTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE BUT I WOULD ALSO LIKE  
9 TO TAKE A MOMENT TO THANK JOHN NAIMO, OUR AUDITOR-CONTROLLER,  
10 JOE KELLY OUR TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR, HIS STAFF, DOUG  
11 BARON AND GLEN BYERS WHO WORK AND CONTINUE TO WORK VERY  
12 DILIGENTLY ON KEEPING OUR BOND RATING STRONG. AS FAR AS THE  
13 SHORT-TERM RATINGS, WE HAVE THE HIGHEST SHORT-TERM RATINGS  
14 THAT WE COULD POSSIBLY HAVE. AND AGAIN ON THE LONG-TERM  
15 RATINGS, WE'RE HOPING IN THE FALL THAT THE CREDIT RATINGS, THE  
16 CREDIT AGENCIES WILL AGAIN LOOK AT WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE  
17 1115 WAIVER AND AGAIN WITH THE OPEB UNFUNDED LIABILITY.

18  
19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU ARE TALKING ABOUT IN SEPTEMBER?

20  
21 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** I THINK AT THIS POINT IN TIME IT  
22 WILL BE AROUND THE FALL. WE CAN'T GIVE YOU A SPECIFIC DATE.

23  
24 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISOR, WE WOULD LOOK TO THE NEXT LONG TERM  
25 FINANCING FOR THE COUNTY TO USE THAT TO ENGAGE OUR RATING

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1 AGENCIES AGAIN. WE PLAN TO HAVE ONE IN THE SUMMER AND THEN ONE  
2 IN FEBRUARY. AND I SUSPECT IF THE SUMMER IS NOT RIGHT, RIGHT,  
3 IT DOESN'T HAVE THE RIGHT SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES, WE'LL ASK FOR  
4 THAT INCREASE IN FEBRUARY OF 16.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY QUESTIONS? TWO PUBLIC COMMENT. MR.  
7 PREVEN AND MR. SACHS.

8

9 **ERIC PREVEN:** IT'S MR. PREVEN, ERIC PREVEN, COUNTY RESIDENT  
10 FROM DISTRICT 3. AND EVERY YEAR I HEAR THIS REPORT AND IT'S  
11 ALWAYS VERY IMPRESSIVE. SO THANK YOU. AND I'M SURE THAT IT  
12 MUST BE VERY NICE TO BE IN NEW YORK WITH THE CHARACTERS  
13 PRAISING THE FISCAL CONSERVATIVE CONDUCT OF THIS BOARD OF  
14 SUPERVISORS. I THINK IT'S ALWAYS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT WE  
15 ARE RUNNING SOMETHING CALLED THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND  
16 FAMILY SERVICES. AND THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BOTH  
17 OF WHICH ARE IN SERIOUS DISARRAY. WE HAVE D.C.F.S. THAT IS  
18 CONTRACTING WITH GROUP HOMES AND THOSE GROUP HOMES ARE AN  
19 ASTONISHING FAILURE AS YOU KNOW. WE DO NOT HAVE A SOLUTION. WE  
20 HAVE LOCKED THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN A KIND OF STALEMATE  
21 ABOUT WHAT TO DO ABOUT IT. THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON CHILD  
22 SERVICES IS NOWHERE IN EFICENCE. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT IS  
23 JUST SHIFTING. WE ARE GUSSYING UP OUR BOND REQUEST FOR A JAIL  
24 PLAN THAT IS WILDLY WILDLY OUT OF STEP WITH WHAT APPROPRIATE  
25 GOING FORWARD IF YOU READ THE NEWSPAPER IN THE CITIES AROUND

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1 AMERICA ABOUT MASS INCARCERATION, ABOUT OVERSPENDING, ABOUT  
2 TOP HEAVY MANAGEMENT IN A BUREAU THAT IS RUN BY AN ELECTED  
3 OFFICIAL BUT NONETHELESS IS HELD ACCOUNTABLE FINANCIALLY BY  
4 THIS BODY. SO IT IS A TIME FOR CELEBRATION AND A TRIPLE-A BOND  
5 RATING IS ALWAYS SOMETHING TO CROW ABOUT WITH YOUR COLLEAGUES  
6 AND FRIENDS, WE HAVE TO DO A BETTER JOB ON THE GROUND. WE HAVE  
7 TO DO A BETTER JOB FOR THE RESIDENTS OF L.A. COUNTY WHO ARE  
8 DISENFRANCHISED AND THAT NUMBER, SADLY IS GROWING. EVEN THOUGH  
9 HOMELESSNESS IS SOMETHING THAT IS ON EVERYBODY'S MIND AS WE  
10 LEAVE THIS BUILDING EVERY DAY BECAUSE WE ENCOUNTER IT RIGHT IN  
11 FRONT OF US WE HAVE TO FIND SOLUTIONS AND SOLUTIONS COST  
12 MONEY. SO THOUGH WE HAVE BEEN VERY TIGHT WITH MONEY AND THAT'S  
13 WHY WE'RE ABLE TO ENJOY SUCH HIGH RATINGS, WE HAVE TO FIND A  
14 WAY TO DEPLOY THE MONEY WISELY USING THE PUBLIC PRIVATE  
15 PARTNERSHIPS AS WELL AS THE FINE LABOR UNIONS TO CREATE  
16 SOLUTIONS THAT WORK. SO THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S WHY SHE DIDN'T INVITE YOU TO GO ON THE TRIP  
21 WITH HER.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. SACHS.

24

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1   **ARNOLD SACHS:** FASCINATING. THIS IS THE ITEM YOU HAD ON THE  
2   AGENDA SINCE 2010. IT'S NICE TO SEE YOU GETTING AROUND TO  
3   HANDLING IT. BUT I'M SHOCKED THAT FINANCIAL INSTITUTES WOULD  
4   SAY YOU'RE REALLY, YOUR HISTORY OF FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY, YOU  
5   HAVE \$27 BILLION IN UNFUNDED RETIRED HEALTHCARE RELIABILITY,  
6   BUT YOU MENTIONED 36 BILLION ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO. SO WHERE  
7   IS THE OTHER \$9 BILLION IN UNFUNDED LIABILITY? I THINK THAT  
8   WAS WHEN THE ITEM ITEM ON THE AGENDA YOU MADE A \$450 MILLION  
9   PAYMENT. I'M SORRY? YOU'RE NOT SHARING SUPERVISOR KNABE. YOU  
10   WERE SHARING LAST WEEK. WHAT HAPPENED? OH BOO-HOO. YOU MADE A  
11   \$450 MILLION PAYMENT FOR UNFUNDED LIABILITY IN LIKE 30 YEARS.  
12   MR. PREVEN MENTIONED SOMETHING ABOUT THE JAIL. SO LAST WEEK  
13   YOU HAD AN ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA FOR A GUARANTEED LOAN. A \$1.6  
14   MILLION. DO THE MATH AND YOU JUST KIND OF LIKE EXTEND THAT OUT  
15   TO \$1.6 BILLION. WHICH SHOULD PROBABLY BE ABOUT THE COST OF  
16   THE JAIL. NOW, THIS SECTION 108 GUARANTEE LOAN OF  
17   APPROXIMATELY 1,600,000 IS GOING TO BE REPAYED AT A RATE OF  
18   \$126,000 A YEAR FOR 18 YEARS. SO THEN YOU DO THE MATH, THAT'S  
19   \$126 MILLION THAT YOU'LL BE PAYING ON A \$1.6 BILLION LOAN. FOR  
20   18 YEARS. ALMOST LIKE A FANTASY \$126 MILLION THAT YOU WILL PAY  
21   IN GUARANTEE LOAN. HOW DO THEY FIND YOU FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE  
22   UNFUNDED MANDATE? THAT'S YOUR FAVORITE QUOTE, SIR. YOU TALK  
23   ABOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA UNFUNDED MANDATE. YET YOU'RE  
24   FOUNDED FISCALLY RESPONSIBLE. IT'S LIKE DRIVING OFF A CLIFF  
25   WITH THE BRAKE ON.

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO I'LL MOVE AND SECOND TO RECEIVE AND  
3 FILE THE REPORT. ON ITEM 31, WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO HAVE SIGNED UP  
4 THAT WERE NOT ABLE TO SPEAK, SO I'M GOING TO MOVE FOR  
5 RECONSIDERATION SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS, WITHOUT  
6 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. I'M GOING TO CALL UP PHILIP FLORES FROM  
7 THE CITY OF AZUSA, KENNETH HILL FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
8 ARBOR EAT UM, MARGAUX VIERA AND HUBERTUS COX FROM THE CITY OF  
9 LOS ANGELES. HOW ARE YOU DOING?

10

11 **PHILLIP FLORES:** GOOD AFTERNOON. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR  
12 TIME. I'M HERE TODAY TO SHOW THE CITY OF AZUSA'S SUPPORT FOR  
13 THE PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT DEVELOPED BY THE LOS  
14 ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT. MY NAME IS PHILIP  
15 FLORES, AND I'M HERE REPRESENTING THE CITY OF AZUSA. ON  
16 NOVEMBER 8, 2012, THE MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM  
17 PERMIT WAS ADOPTED BY THE REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
18 TO IMPROVE WATER QUALITY IN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE  
19 PURPOSE OF THE PERMIT IS TO REDUCE POLLUTANTS IN MUNICIPAL,  
20 CONSTRUCTION AND INDUSTRIAL STORM WATER RUNOFF. THEREFORE, THE  
21 CITY OF AZUSA SUPPORTS, FIRSTLY, THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
22 ENHANCE THE WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN TO ACHIEVE COMPLIANCE  
23 WITH THE MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM PERMIT.  
24 SECONDLY, TO ENCOURAGE THE CERTIFICATION OF THE PROGRAM  
25 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT DEVELOPED BY THE LOS ANGELES



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1 COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT. AND, THIRDLY, FOR THE ADVANCED  
2 PLANNING WHICH WILL IMPROVE PUBLIC AWARENESS NOT ONLY WITHIN  
3 THE CITY OF AZUSA BUT COUNTYWIDE WITHIN ALL 88 CITIES THAT  
4 RESIDE WITHIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I APPRECIATE BEING HERE AND  
5 FOR THE TIME ALLOWED FOR THE CITY OF AZUSA TO SHOW ITS SUPPORT  
6 FOR THE PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT DEVELOPED BY THE  
7 LOS ANGELES COUNTY FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **KENNETH HILL:** HONORABLE MAYOR, HONORABLE SUPERVISORS, MY NAME  
12 IS KENNETH HILL. I AM PRESIDENT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY  
13 ARBORETUM FOUNDATION. I AM HERE TODAY REPRESENTING THE  
14 FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES, THE 300 MEMBERS OF LOS  
15 VOLUNTARIOS THE ARBORETUM SUPPORT GROUP AND THE 10,000 MEMBERS  
16 OF THE ARBORETUM FOUNDATION. THE FOUNDATION SUPPORTS THE  
17 ARBORETUM BY PROVIDING VOLUNTEER LABOR, PAID FULL-TIME STAFF,  
18 AND IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS. OUR FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION AMOUNTS  
19 TO JUST UNDER HALF THE ARBORETUM'S ANNUAL BUDGET. OVER 300,000  
20 PEOPLE AND OVER 16,000 SCHOOL CHILDREN VISIT THE ARBORETUM  
21 EACH YEAR. WE ARE OPEN EVERY DAY EXCEPT CHRISTMAS. THE CURRENT  
22 OPERATING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE FOUNDATION HAS  
23 BEEN A BOON TO THE ARBORETUM'S MISSION OF EDUCATION AND  
24 ENRICHMENT FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY. MY PURPOSE HERE IS TO  
25 ADDRESS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENTS OF THE ARBORETUM

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1 WHICH INCORPORATES ITS BEAUTY, HISTORY AND ENVIRONMENTAL  
2 FUNCTION: BALDWIN LAKE. CREATED IN THE EARLY 1800S, BY LUCKY  
3 BALDWIN IN THE NATURAL WETLANDS AREA, THE LAKE SERVED AS A  
4 BEAUTIFUL ADDITION TO THE QUEEN ANNE COTTAGE AS WELL AS A  
5 FUNCTIONAL RESERVOIR FOR BALDWIN RANCH IRRIGATION. SINCE THE  
6 BALDWIN DAYS THE LAKE HAS SERVED AS A STAGE AND BACKDROP FOR  
7 MANY MOVIES AND TV SHOWS WITH ADJACENT RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT  
8 THE PAST 50 YEARS INCLUDING FLOOD CONTROL PROJECTS, THE LAKE  
9 HAS BEEN THE RECIPIENT OF POLLUTION AND EROSION. OVER 15 FEET  
10 DEEP AT ITS CENTER, THE LAKE IS NOW NO MORE THAN 2 FEET DEEP.  
11 THE PERIMETER OF THE LAKE HAS COLLAPSED AND ERODED CREATING A  
12 VISUALLY UNATTRACTIVE AND UNSAFE SHORELINE. BALDWIN LAKE IS  
13 STILL A MAJOR ATTRACTION TO CHILDREN WHO RUSH TO THE EDGE OF  
14 THE LAKE AND RUN ALONG ITS SHORE. VERY LITTLE HAS BEEN DONE IN  
15 THE PAST 50 YEARS OF COUNTY OVERSIGHT OTHER THAN THE PLACEMENT  
16 OF BROKEN PIECES OF SIDEWALK TO STABILIZE THE PERIMETER,  
17 CREATING AN AESTHETIC MESS. BALDWIN LAKE IS IN SERIOUS NEED OF  
18 RESTORATION. WE NOW HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT  
19 THE LAKE AND RESTORE IT TO ITS ORIGINAL BEAUTY AND  
20 ENVIRONMENTAL FUNCTION. THE FOUNDATION HAS AND IS IN THE  
21 PROCESS OF SPENDING CLOSE TO \$100,000 IN DESIGN AND  
22 ENGINEERING STUDIES FOR THE LAKE'S RESTORATION. BEING  
23 RECOGNIZED BY ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAM IMPORTANT  
24 PUBLIC AWARENESS HAS BEEN BROUGHT TO BALDWIN LAKE'S SORRY  
25 CONDITION AND IT'S IMPORTANT ROLE IN THE REPLENISHMENT OF

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1 LOCAL GROUND WATER TABLE. THE FOUNDATION CANNOT PROVIDE THE  
2 FUNDING FOR THE LAKE'S RESTORATION. WE ARE ASKING THE COUNTY  
3 TO TAKE THE LEAD FROM HERE USING THE INFORMATION GAINED FROM  
4 THE ENGINEERING STUDIES WE HAVE FUNDED TO PUT YOUR RESOURCES  
5 BEHIND THE RESTORATION OF THE HISTORIC ENVIRONMENTALLY  
6 IMPORTANT AND BEAUTIFUL COUNTY RESOURCE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, KEN. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.  
9 YES, MA'AM.

10

11 **MARGAUX VIERA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MARGAUX VIERA, THE  
12 GREAT, GREAT, GRAND DAUGHTER OF ELIAS JACKSON LUCKY BALDWIN  
13 WHO ONCE OWNED RANCHO SANTA ANITA AND WHAT IS NOW KNOWN AS THE  
14 LOS ANGELES ARBORETUM AND BOTANICAL GARDENS. I'M PROUD TO BE  
15 PART OF THE LOS ANGELES ARBORETUM'S PAST PRESENT AND FUTURE. I  
16 AM ON THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND I AM PART OF THE SAVE BALDWIN  
17 LAKE TASKFORCE. BALDWIN LAKE WAS ONCE THE NATIONAL RESERVOIR  
18 FOR ARTESIAN WATER. LUCKY BALDWIN SET A GOLD STANDARD FOR  
19 WATER CONSERVATION WHEN HE DEEPENED THE LAKE BASIN IN THE LATE  
20 1880S AND CREATED A WATER RETENTION SYSTEM THAT HELPED HIM  
21 IRRIGATE ACRES AND ACRES OF CROPS. NOW HISTORIC BALDWIN LAKE  
22 IS IN SERIOUS TROUBLE. WE CAN RETURN BALDWIN LAKE TO ITS WATER  
23 RETENTION FUNCTION AS PART OF THE ENHANCED WATERSHED  
24 MANAGEMENT PLAN. AND WE CAN ALSO USE BALDWIN LAKE TO EDUCATE  
25 THE PUBLIC THAT THE HISTORY OF RESPONSIBLE USE OF WATER GOES

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1 BACK MUCH FARTHER THAN MOST PEOPLE REALIZE. PLEASE HELP TO  
2 PROTECT BALDWIN LAKE AND ITS BEAUTIFUL NATURAL RESOURCE. THE  
3 LOS ANGELES ARBORETUM IS VERY SPECIAL TO MY FAMILY AS WELL AS  
4 TO THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF INDIVIDUAL FAMILIES AND SCHOOL  
5 CHILDREN WHO VISIT EACH YEAR.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

8

9 **MARGAUX VIERA:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP THE LAST TWO IS  
12 REX FRANKEL AND JOSETTE DESCALZO AND ONE MORE. HERMAN HERMAN.  
13 YES, SIR.

14

15 **ROBERTO SCOTTS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. MY NAME  
16 IS ROBERTO SCOTTS, WATERSHED PROTECTION DIVISION OF THE BUREAU  
17 OF SANITATION, THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. AND I WOULD LIKE TO  
18 THANK YOU FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SAY A FEW WORDS THE CITY OF  
19 LOS ANGELES HAS BEEN LEADING THE DEVELOPMENT OF FOUR ENHANCED  
20 WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS FOR THE UPPER LOS ANGELES RIVER,  
21 THE BALLONA CREEK, THE SANTA MONICA JURISDICTIONS 2 AND 3 AND  
22 THE DOMINGUEZ CHANNEL WATERSHEDS. AND WE ARE A PARTNER TO THE  
23 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES IN THE MARINA DEL REY WATERSHEDS. ALL IN  
24 ALL WE HAVE BEEN WORKING CLOSELY TOGETHER WITH OVER 30 PARTNER  
25 AGENCIES OR CO-PERMITTEES IN THESE WATERSHEDS. THE COUNTY IS A

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1 PARTNER AGENCY IN EACH ONE OF THESE FOUR WATER- SHEDS THAT I  
2 MENTIONED AND WE APPRECIATE THE COLLABORATION AND THE  
3 CONSTRUCTIVE DISCUSSIONS THAT WE HAD WITH STAFF FROM L.A.  
4 COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS. THE CITY IS  
5 CURRENTLY ALSO IN THE PROCESS OF ADOPTING THE ENHANCED  
6 WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS AND WE'RE FINALIZING THE  
7 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS OF THESE PROGRAMS. WE APPRECIATE  
8 COUNTY'S WORKS FOR THE PROGRAMMATIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT  
9 REVIEW OF THE ENHANCED WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS, AND WE  
10 HOPE THAT THIS BOARD WILL ADOPT AND CERTIFY IT. WITH THAT, I  
11 WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR THIS OPPORTUNITY AND YOUR  
12 TIME.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, SIR.

15

16 **JOSETTE DESCALZO:** GOOD EVENING BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. I'M  
17 JOSETTE DESCALZO. I WORK FOR THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS AND  
18 TONIGHT I'M ALSO SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF CULVER CITY. WE ARE  
19 BOTH AGENCIES ARE VERY GRATEFUL FOR THE COUNTY'S EFFORT IN  
20 DEVELOPING THE PROGRAMMATIC P.I.R. WE HOPE THAT THE BOARD WILL  
21 CERTIFY AND APPROVE THE P.I.R. OUR AGENCIES LOOK FORWARD TO  
22 CERTIFYING THIS P.I.R., AS WELL, AS WE PLAN TO UTILIZE IT IN  
23 OUR EFFORTS FOR REGIONAL PROJECTS THAT WILL IMPROVE THE WATER  
24 QUALITY FOR BALLONA CREEK. WE ARE THANKFUL FOR THE COUNTY'S  
25 ENVIRONMENTAL LEADERSHIP AND HOPE YOU CERTIFY AND APPROVE IT.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, SIR.

3

4 **HERMAN HERMAN:** MR. MAYOR, IT WOULD BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF  
5 THE PUBLIC IF WE CAN IMPROVE THE DEPLORABLE CONDITIONS AT THE  
6 ARBORETUM. ISN'T IT GREAT THAT THE FOUNDER, MR. BALDWIN,  
7 PROVIDED US ACCESS TO A PLACE OF ACTIVITY, PROGRAMS AND  
8 SERVICES FOR PEOPLE WITH INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES. I HAVE  
9 IN MY HAND THIS PAMPHLET THAT TALKS ABOUT UNDERSTANDING THE  
10 AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT. I WON'T GO THAT MUCH INTO IT.  
11 BECAUSE THE WHOLE POINT HERE IS AS BROUGHT OUT AS THE SPEAKERS  
12 IS THAT HERE WE HAVE WATER IRRIGATION HOLES, A NATURAL  
13 ENVIRONMENT. BUT YET WITH DEPLORABLE CONDITIONS FOR ACCESS,  
14 SAFE SIDEWALK ACCESS OR PATH OF TRAVEL TO THIS ARBORETUM. AND  
15 BECAUSE DUE TO THE LACK OF FUNDINGS AND SERVICES AND PROGRAMS,  
16 YOU'RE GOING TO DENY MR. BALDWIN HIS WHOLE VISION AND  
17 PROVISIONS FOR THIS BEAUTIFUL PARK? A COUNTY PARK? FOR PEOPLE  
18 WITH DISABILITIES. LIKE THE GENTLEMAN IN THE BACK RIGHT THERE  
19 MR. ALEX IN HIS WHEELCHAIR WHO JUST MADE A REQUEST TO BE  
20 HEARD? ALL WE'RE ASKING IS FOR ACCESS. AND THE ACCESS INVOLVES  
21 ALLOWING THE WATER RETENTION PLAN FOR THE REVISIONS OF THE  
22 ARBORETUM TO STAY. PLEASE DON'T LET IT GO. PLEASE. HELP OUT  
23 THE FOUNDERS. HELP OUT THE PEOPLE THERE WHO ARE MAKING A  
24 PETITION, A REQUEST FOR INFRASTRUCTURE REPAIRS, NEEDED MONIES  
25 FROM PRIVATE SECTORS AND EVEN FROM MISS SOLIS' SECTOR TO PUT

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1 MONIES INTO THIS PLACE SO THAT WE COULD TAKE OUR CHILDREN WHO  
2 ARE DISABLED, PEOPLE WHO HAVE MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND ALL THE  
3 PEOPLE INVOLVED IN L.A. CARE FOR THE RIGHT TO FIGHT FOR WHAT?  
4 CAREGIVERS TO TAKE US TO THE NATURAL PARK SETTINGS. PLEASE,  
5 PLEASE. AND I THANK YOU, MR. BALDWIN.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

8

9 **REX FRANKEL:** HI. I'M REX FRANKEL. I REPRESENT A NEW  
10 ORGANIZATION CALLED CREEKS TO PEEKS LOS ANGELES. AND WE'RE  
11 SPEAKING MAINLY IN OPPOSITION TO THIS PLAN BECAUSE THE  
12 PROMISES OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT COMPLIANCE PLAN FOR THE LOS  
13 ANGELES COUNTY AND THE MUNICIPALITIES OF THE COUNTY HAS JUST  
14 NOT COME OUT. IN THE ENTIRE PROCESS OF TRYING TO DESIGN A PLAN  
15 THAT WOULD HAVE MULTIPLE BENEFITS, THAT WOULD CLEAN UP STORM  
16 WATER AND ALSO CREATE NEW PARKS, IT'S NOT CREATING NEW PARKS.  
17 THIS IS ABSOLUTELY ALMOST POSITIVELY A NO NEW PARKS PLAN.  
18 INSTEAD WHAT IT'S DOING IS UTILIZING EXISTING SCHOOLS,  
19 UTILIZING EXISTING PARKS, UTILIZING THE LAWNS IN FRONT OF OUR  
20 HOUSES, ALL WHICH WILL BE POLLUTION SACRIFICE ZONES TO CLEAN  
21 UP THE POLLUTION PROBLEM. AND IT WILL STILL BE AT AN  
22 INCREDIBLE COST OF \$20 BILLION OVER A 20-YEAR PERIOD. A  
23 BILLION DOLLARS A YEAR. AND IF YOU THOUGHT THAT THE VOTERS  
24 WERE ANGRY ABOUT THE TAX HIKE A COUPLE YEARS AGO FOR STORM  
25 WATER TAX, WHICH WAS \$290 MILLION A YEAR, A BILLION DOLLARS A



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1 YEAR ON A PLAN THAT DOESN'T EVEN PROVIDE NEW PARKS BREAKS A  
2 LONG-STANDING PROMISES. IT'S JUST NOT GOING TO STAND.  
3 UNFORTUNATELY, WHAT YOU GUYS ARE DOING WITH THIS PROCESS OF  
4 APPROVING THIS PROJECT IN THIS WAY RIGHT NOW AS A PROGRAM  
5 E.I.R. IS YOU PROVIDE NO SPECIFICS OF THE ACTUAL PROJECTS. SO  
6 THERE'S NO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ANALYSIS OF ALL THESE NON-  
7 PARKS. THERE'S FIRSTLY NOTHING IN THE E.I.R. TO COMMENT ON AND  
8 THAT'S REALLY THE PROBLEM. IT'S A PROJECT WITHOUT ANY  
9 SPECIFICS. BUT THE ONLY SPECIFIC DESCRIPTION OF PROJECTS WILL  
10 BE HANDLED IN INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS THAT MAY BE HUNDREDS AND  
11 HUNDREDS OF INDIVIDUAL STORM WATER CLEANUP PROJECTS THROUGHOUT  
12 LOS ANGELES COUNTY. INSTEAD OF CONSIDERING THEM IN A MASTER  
13 PLAN WHERE THE PUBLIC GETS TO WEIGH IN ON THE DECISIONS TO BE  
14 MADE, THE SACRIFICES IN TAX DOLLARS, THE SACRIFICES IN PARKS  
15 OR THE BENEFITS IN NEW PARKS WE'LL GET, INSTEAD YOU'RE  
16 SPLITTING THE PUBLIC PROCESS INTO HUNDREDS AND HUNDREDS OF  
17 LITTLE HEARINGS WHERE ANYBODY THAT WANTS TO GET INVOLVED HAS  
18 TO GO TO HUNDREDS OF HEARINGS. I DON'T HAVE TIMES GENERALLY  
19 AND I DON'T THINK THE GENERAL PUBLIC HAS THE TIME TO GET  
20 INVOLVED IN A PROJECT THAT HAS THIS MANY PUBLIC HEARINGS.  
21 YOU'RE DEFEATING THE PUBLIC PROCESS. YOU'RE DEFEATING CEQA.  
22 YOU'RE PIECEMEALING THIS PROCESS INTO HUNDREDS OF PIECES WHEN  
23 IT'S ONE BIG PROJECT.  
24

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1   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE A MOTION BEFORE US.  
2   I'LL MOVE. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO  
3   ORDERED. NUMBER 11?

4

5   **LORAYNE LINGET, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** MR. MAYOR, BEFORE WE DO 11,  
6   ON ITEM NO. 27, THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH REQUESTED THIS  
7   ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO JUNE 2, 2015.

8

9   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.  
10   SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, TO CONTINUE THAT. SO ORDERED.

11

12   **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** 27. ON ITEM NO. 11, THIS IS  
13   A HEARING ON PROJECT NUMBER R2013-02161-2 LOCATED AT 12726  
14   SOUTH SAN PEDRO STREET IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF WEST  
15   RANCHO DOMINGUEZ VICTORIA COMMUNITY STANDARDS DISTRICT TO  
16   AUTHORIZE THE EXPANSION OF AN EXISTING AUTOZONE AND REDUCE THE  
17   REQUIRED VEHICLE PARKING SPACES APPLIED FOR BY AUTOZONE. ON  
18   THIS ITEM THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND NO  
19   CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED. AND WE DO HAVE A COUPLE OF  
20   SPEAKERS.

21

22   **SHAWN TEMPLE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE  
23   BOARD. MY NAME IS SHAWN TEMPLE AND I'M WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF  
24   REGIONAL PLANNING. BEFORE YOU TODAY THE APPLICANT, AUTOZONE,  
25   IS REQUESTING A ZONE CHANGE PLAN AMENDMENT CONDITIONAL USE

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1 PERMIT AND A PARKING DEVIATION TO ALLOW THE EXPANSION MUCH AN  
2 EXISTING 5400 SQUARE FOOT AUTO ZONE AUTOMOBILE SUPPLY STORE TO  
3 7500 SQUARE FEET. THE PROJECT SITE IS LOCATED AT 12726 SOUTH  
4 SAN PEDRO STREET IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF WEST  
5 RANCHO DOMINGUEZ VICTORIA. THE EXISTING AUTOZONE BUILDING IS  
6 LOCATED WITHIN THE C2 DP NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT  
7 PROGRAM ZONE WITH THE ONSITE PARKING ON THE NORTH SIDE LOCATED  
8 IN THE R1 SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONE THE PROPOSED ZONE  
9 CHANGE THAT MUCH PORTION OF THE PROPERTY FROM R1 TO C2 D.P.  
10 WOULD ALLOW AUTOZONE TO EXPAND THEIR STORE BY 2100 SQUARE FEET  
11 INTO THE EXISTING PARKING LOT. THE PROPOSED PLAN AMENDMENT  
12 WOULD CHANGE THE LAND USE CATEGORIES OF THE PROJECT SITE FROM  
13 LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL AND MAJOR INDUSTRIAL TO MAJOR  
14 COMMERCIAL SO THAT THE ZONE, LAND USE AND DEVELOPED USE WILL  
15 ALL BE CONSISTENT WITH EACH OTHER. AN INITIAL STUDY NEGATIVE  
16 DECLARATION WAS COMPLETED AND CONCLUDED THAT THE PROJECT DOES  
17 NOT POSE ANY SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS PER CEQA  
18 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS. ON FEBRUARY 11, 2015, THE REGIONAL  
19 PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDED APPROVAL OF THIS PROJECT. THIS  
20 CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATION.

21  
22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS? WE HAVE  
23 THREE PUBLIC SPEAKERS. JOE PODEGRACZ, NICOLE PARSON AND ARNOLD  
24 SACHS. JOE?

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1     **JOE PODEGRACZ:** GOOD EVENING, I GUESS, NOT AFTERNOON ANYMORE.

2

3     **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOOD EVENING NOW.

4

5     **JOE PODEGRACZ:** MY NAME IS JOE PODEGRACZ. I'M WITH JOE  
6     ENGINEERING REPRESENTING AUTO ZONE. I'LL KEEP THIS BRIEF.  
7     SHAWN PRETTY MUCH COVERED EVERYTHING. WE'RE REPLACING SOME  
8     PARKING LOT WITH THE BUILDING. AND HOPEFULLY CAN MAKE IT WORK  
9     TO BETTER SERVE THE PUBLIC. AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS. THAT'S  
10    ALL I GOT.

11

12    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY QUESTIONS? OKAY. GOOD  
13    PRESENTATION. LET'S GO TO ANTELOPE VALLEY TO NICOLE. NICOLE,  
14    ARE YOU STILL THERE?

15

16    **SPEAKER:** NICOLE'S NOT HERE.

17

18    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. NICOLE LEFT. MR. SACHS?

19

20    **ARNOLD SACHS:** JUST VERY QUICKLY. SURPRISED TO HEAR THAT THE --  
21    PARKING LOT PORTION OF THIS STORE WAS IN ONE COMMERCIAL ZONE  
22    AND THE STORE ITSELF WAS IN ANOTHER COMMERCIAL ZONE. YOU WILL  
23    EYE HAVE TO CHANGE THE ZONING FOR THE PARKING LOT. I'M  
24    CONCERNED ABOUT THE ENTERPRISE ZONE DISTRICT, WHAT THAT  
25    ENCOMPASSES IN TOTALITY. HOW LARGE DOES THIS DISTRICT BECOME

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1 THAT BASICALLY THE STORE IS BUILT -- YOU JUST HEARD THE  
2 GENTLEMAN WHO SPOKE ABOUT THE WATER DISTRICT, HOW YOU  
3 PIECEMEAL THESE ITEMS TOGETHER. BUT THIS STORE WOULD BE  
4 PIECEMEAELED THAT IT WOULD OVERLAP ON TWO DIFFERENT KINDS OF  
5 DISTRICTS. HOW BIG DOES THIS ENTERPRISE ZONE DISTRICT BECOME?  
6 BECAUSE YOU NOTICE THAT ENTERPRISE ZONE DISTRICTS BECOME  
7 ELIGIBLE FOR STATE FUNDING FOR NEW HIRES. NOT NECESSARILY NEW  
8 JOBS OR MORE JOBS. BUT NEW HIRES. AND MAYBE MIGHT HAVE NOTICED  
9 THAT THERE'S A LARGE INCREASE OF AUTO ENTERTAINMENT LOCATED  
10 WITHIN THESE INDUSTRIAL ENTERPRISE ZONES BECAUSE THEY MEET --  
11 IT'S AN ENTERPRISE ZONE DISTRICT. MR. KNABE, I WISH YOU'D PAY  
12 ATTENTION TO WHAT'S ON THE AGENDA HERE. I SAID I WAS CONCERNED  
13 ABOUT THE ENTERPRISE ZONE DISTRICT AND HOW LARGE THAT WOULD  
14 BECOME, HOW LARGE AN AREA, IS IT JUST FOR THIS PARKING LOT? IS  
15 THAT ALL THAT'S CONSIDERED? OR IS THIS ENTERPRISE ZONE  
16 DISTRICT LARGER? HERE'S ESSENTIALLY THE STORE WAS DEVELOPED IN  
17 A C2 D.P. ZONE AND THE PARKING LOT IN AN R1 ZONE. HOW DO YOU  
18 DO THAT? IF YOU HAVE SO MUCH REAL ESTATE PEOPLE AND LEGALESE  
19 GOING BEFORE YOU, HOW DO YOU OVERLAP IN THE ZONES AND THEN  
20 COME BACK AND BECOME THE GUINEA PIG FOR AN ENTERPRISE ZONE TO  
21 OPEN UP. THAT'S WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT HERE, SIR.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. CAN YOU RESPOND SUCCINCTLY?

24

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1   **RICHARD BRUCKNER:** WE BELIEVE THIS IS A RATIONAL ZONE CHANGE.  
2   IT'S IN A COMMERCIAL AREA. AND FROM A ZONING LAND USE AND  
3   LONG-TERM PERSPECTIVE MAKES, IT'S LOGICAL. AND WE RECOMMEND  
4   IT.

5

6   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHO MAKES THE MOTION? WHOSE DISTRICT  
7   IS THAT? SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS MOVES. I'LL SECOND.  
8   WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY. ITEM 25. WHO HELD THAT?  
9   DON?

10

11   **SUP. KNABE:** I GUESS THE QUESTION I HAD IS ON THE ADDITIONAL  
12   SPACE, ARE YOU GIVING US SOME OTHER SPACE TO DO THIS? OR IS  
13   THIS TOTALLY AN ADDITIONAL SPACE REQUIREMENT?

14

15   **MARK SALADINO:** IT'S TOTALLY ADDITIONAL SPACE REQUIREMENT. BUT  
16   WE'RE BACKFILLING ALL OF THE SPACE. WE'RE MOVING SOME PEOPLE  
17   OUT OF THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION. BUT WE HAVE A NEED FOR THAT  
18   SPACE HERE, AS WELL.

19

20   **SUP. KNABE:** SO YOU'RE NOT GIVING UP ANY SPACE THROUGHOUT?

21

22   **MARK SALADINO:** NO. NO. WE NEED ALL OF THE SPACE. WE HAVE A  
23   NEED FOR TO HOUSE 57 EMPLOYEES.

24

25   **SUP. KNABE:** ALL ATTORNEYS?

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1

2 **MARK SALADINO:** NO.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** GOOD. THAT'S GOOD.

5

6 **MARK SALADINO:** LESS THAN HALF ARE ATTORNEYS. BUT WE HAVE A LOT  
7 OF VACANCIES, TOO, SUPERVISOR. PEOPLE WE HAVE NOT HIRED  
8 BECAUSE WE HAVE NO PLACE TO PUT THEM.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER, MR.  
11 PREVEN. IS HE GONE? OKAY. WE HAVE A MOTION BY SUPERVISOR  
12 SOLIS. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ON ITEM 29, I  
13 HAVE HELD THAT ITEM. AND WE'VE ASKED THE LIBRARY IF THESE  
14 FUNDS WOULD BE USED FOR EXPANSION OF THEIR PROGRAMS OR  
15 RENOVATION OF ANY OF THE LIBRARIES. I'VE BEEN ADVISED IT  
16 DOESN'T. AND PERHAPS OUR LIBRARIAN CAN GIVE US A BRIEFING ON  
17 THIS REQUEST.

18

19 **MARGARET TODD:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I WAS WALKING  
20 OUT AND I DIDN'T HEAR EXACTLY WHAT YOUR QUESTION WAS.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE QUESTION WAS THE REVENUES THAT ARE  
23 BEING REQUESTED IN THIS MOTION WOULD NOT BE GOING TOWARDS  
24 RENOVATING ANY OF THE CURRENT LIBRARIES OR BEING USED FOR  
25 EXPANDING OR ACQUIRING NEW LIBRARIES.



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1

2 **MARGARET TODD:** NO. IT IS ONLY USED FOR SUPPORTING THE SERVICES  
3 THAT WERE PROMISED WHEN THE SPECIAL TAX WAS PASSED. BOOKS AND  
4 MATERIALS AND ADDITIONAL HOURS TO SUSTAIN THOSE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO THIS IS FOR HOURS AND MATERIALS.

7

8 **MARGARET TODD:** BOOKS AND MATERIALS. MATERIALS. YES, SIR.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY QUESTIONS?

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** MOVE RECOMMENDATIONS.

13

14 **SUP. HILDA SOLIS:** JUST A QUICK QUESTION. YOU TALKED ABOUT  
15 STAFFING. WHAT DOES THAT MEAN IN ACTUAL NUMBERS OR HOURS?

16

17 **MARGARET TODD:** I DON'T HAVE THAT DETAIL WITH ME. I COULD  
18 CERTAINLY GET THAT FOR YOU IN TERMS OF WHAT IT MEANS FOR EACH  
19 LIBRARY. IN MANY WAYS, IT'S PROBABLY A PORTION OF A STAFF  
20 PERSON RATHER THAN A FULL-TIME PERSON. AND THESE GO BACK TO  
21 THE AGREEMENTS THAT WERE MADE WHEN THIS WAS ORIGINALLY PASSED  
22 IN THE LATE 1990S.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY QUESTIONS? SUPERVISOR KNABE MOVES.  
25 SUPERVISOR KUEHL SECONDS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. OKAY.

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1    ADJOURNMENTS. NUMBER 1 IS IT THE THIRD DISTRICT? SUPERVISOR  
2    KUEHL? ADJOURNMENTS.

3

4    **SUP. SHEILA KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE  
5    ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JANE TRINKHELLER,  
6    LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA MONICA. RECENTLY PASSED AWAY. SHE  
7    WAS VALEDICTORIAN AT SANTA MONICA HIGH FOR HONORS OF  
8    OUTSTANDING CITIZENSHIP. WENT TO U.C.L.A. WHERE SHE MET HER  
9    FUTURE HUSBAND MR. PAUL TRINKHELLER. EVER THE ADVENTURER,  
10    TRAVELED THE WORLD, VISITING EUROPE, RUSSIA, SOUTH AMERICA,  
11    CENTRAL AMERICA, MEXICO, NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIA. SHE WAS A  
12    CAMPER, WATER SKIER AND A DIRT BIKER. SHE BOWLED. SHE PLAYED  
13    TENNIS UNTIL SHE WAS 92 YEARS OLD. SHE WAS ACTIVE IN SERVING  
14    OTHERS ALWAYS HER ENTIRE LIFE. SHE WAS A CLINIC VOLUNTEER FOR  
15    THE LUTHERAN SOCIETY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. SHE TAUGHT SUNDAY  
16    SCHOOL NINE YEARS AT ST. ANDREW'S LUTHERAN IN WEST L.A., 22  
17    YEARS AT PALISADES LUTHERAN CHURCH, LONG- TIME MEMBER OF THE  
18    CHURCH CHOIR, PLUS CHAIRWOMAN OF THE ALTAR GUILD. SHE  
19    VOLUNTEERED OVER 2,000 HOURS AT THE VETERANS' ADMINISTRATION  
20    TO CHEER UP PATIENTS WITH SINGING AND REFRESHMENTS THAT SHE  
21    BAKED HERSELF. OFTEN WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF THOSE WHO HAVE  
22    BECOME FAMOUS, THEY GET SOME PLACE IN SOME BIG WORLD  
23    DICTIONARY AND I WANTED TO ADJOURN IN JANE'S MEMORY BECAUSE  
24    SHE MADE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE FOR THOSE WHO KNEW HER. AND  
25    REALLY EVEN FOR MANY WHO DID NOT THROUGH GENEROUS DONATIONS TO

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1 A LOT OF CHARITIES HERE AND ABROAD. SHE'S SURVIVED BY A LARGE  
2 LOVING FAMILY. HER SONS, PAUL, JR. AND ROBERT, SIX  
3 GRANDCHILDREN AND FOUR GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
6 SUPERVISOR DON?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T HAVE ANY ADJOURNMENTS TODAY, THANK YOU.  
9 BUT I DO HAVE A READ-IN MOTION. MOTION. EXCUSE ME. MONDAY  
10 MARCH 24, 2014, FELIX DURAN, 53, WAS WORKING AS A CLERK AT A  
11 LOCAL BUSINESS IN 1100 BLOCK OF 7TH STREET IN THE CITY OF LONG  
12 BEACH WHEN AN ARMED GUNMAN ENTERED THE BUSINESS AND DURING THE  
13 COURSE OF A ROBBERY SHOT THE VICTIM. THE VICTIM JUST RECENTLY  
14 PASSED AWAY ON MAY 19TH. NO ONE HAS BEEN ARRESTED IN THE CASE.  
15 DETECTIVES HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO IDENTIFY A SUSPECT AND FEW  
16 WITNESSES HAVE COME FORWARD SO FAR. OUR DETECTIVES PEOPLE  
17 WOULD BE VERY BENEFICIAL TO OFFER A REWARD WHICH MAY PROMPT  
18 RELUCTANT WITNESSES TO COME FORWARD AND PROVIDE INFORMATION TO  
19 IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUALS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS INCREDIBLE  
20 CRIME. THEY CAN REMAIN ANONYMOUS. I MOVE THEREFORE THAT WE RE-  
21 ESTABLISH THE OFFER OF A \$10,000 REWARD FOR INFORMATION  
22 LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE PERPETRATORS OF  
23 THIS CRIME.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1

2 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN  
5 MEMORY OF A GOOD FRIEND. RICHARD FRANK, WHO PASSED AWAY.  
6 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF PASADENA AND SON OF THE COFOUNDER OF  
7 LAWRY'S PRIME RIB AND TAM O' SHANTER RESTAURANTS. PASSED AWAY  
8 AT THE AGE OF 92. ALSO A MEMBER OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES. HE  
9 WAS A GRADUATE OF STANFORD UNIVERSITY AND TOOK OVER CHIEF  
10 EXECUTIVE OF HIS FAMILY BUSINESS ONCE KNOWN AS THE KING OF  
11 THEME RESTAURANTS. HE OPENED A NUMBER OF DINING SPOTS IN  
12 CALIFORNIA INCLUDING THE FIVE CROWNS AND STARTED THE BEEF  
13 BOWL. FRANK IS SURVIVED BY THREE CHILDREN, FIVE GRANDCHILDREN,  
14 AND TWO GREAT GRANDSONS. ALSO ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND AND ONE OF  
15 THE BEST NEWS COMMENTATORS WE HAD, AND THAT WAS ED HADDAD. HE  
16 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF I THINK 90. SERVED IN THE UNITED  
17 STATES AIR FORCE AND GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN  
18 CALIFORNIA. 12 YEARS AS A NEWS REPORTER AND COMMENTATOR FOR  
19 KPOL. HONORED BY THE AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION  
20 FOR HIS DISTINGUISHED REPORTING. RECEIVING TWO GOLDEN MIKE  
21 AWARDS. ALSO HAD PREVIOUSLY SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE LOS  
22 ANGELES WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL AND FOR THE UNITED STATES  
23 DEPARTMENT OF STATE AS A DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY. HE WAS A  
24 MEMBER OF ST. BEDE'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH. SERVED AS A CHAIR OF  
25 THE EDITORIAL BOARD OF OUR "EPISCOPAL NEWS" AND IS SURVIVED BY

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1 HIS THREE CHILDREN, TWO BROTHERS, AND FIVE GRANDCHILDREN. A  
2 WONDERFUL MAN. CHARLES FINKELSTEIN, RESIDENT OF BURBANK PASSED  
3 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 91. ALSO A U.S.C. GRADUATE BEFORE SERVING  
4 IN THE UNITED STATES AIR CORPS. WORKED IN REAL ESTATE AND  
5 BECAME A SALESMAN FOR RELIABLE GLASSWARE. LATER JOINING HIS  
6 FAMILY BUSINESS WITH SOUTHWEST STEEL AND FINKELSTEIN SUPPLY  
7 FOR 22 YEARS, STARTING HIS OWN METAL BUSINESS CHARLES AND  
8 ASSOCIATES. HE WAS A MEMBER OF THE SONS OF ITALY. NATIVE SONS  
9 OF THE GOLDEN WEST. AMERICAN LEGION AND THE ST. JOSEPH'S  
10 SOCIETY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE JEAN AND THEIR TWO  
11 CHILDREN. AND FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, LINDA WASHINGTON  
12 PASSED AWAY ON MAY 16TH. HER LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS WITH THE  
13 CENTURY REGIONAL DETENTION CENTER. SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR MARK  
14 RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR  
15 SOLIS. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I'D ASK THAT YOU  
18 JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF DEPUTY IRMA RAYAS, BORN  
19 FEBRUARY 8, 1973. SHE PASSED ON MAY THE 6TH, THE ILLNESS THAT  
20 OVERTOOK HER. SHE WAS 42 YEARS OF AGE. AT THE AGE OF 19, SHE  
21 BECAME A CAMP COUNSELOR FOR THE Y.M.C.A. AND WAS PROMOTED TO  
22 SITE DIRECTOR. WHILE WORKING AT THE Y.M.C.A., SHE ATTENDED AND  
23 GRADUATED FROM EL CAMINO POLICE TRAINING ACADEMY AND WORKED AS  
24 A RESERVE OFFICER AND A TRAINING INSTRUCTOR. IN 2006 SHE  
25 GRADUATED FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S ACADEMY AND

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1 BECAME A FULL-TIME DEPUTY. SHE RECEIVED NUMEROUS AWARDS  
2 THROUGHOUT HER CAREER, INCLUDING THE LIFESAVING AWARD,  
3 EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE AWARD, COMPTON STATION DEPUTY OF THE  
4 YEAR AWARD AND THE MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD, JUST TO NAME A  
5 FEW. SHE ALSO RECEIVED THE WILLIAM H. SPURGEON AWARD FOR HER  
6 WORK WITH COMPTON STATION'S EXPLORER PROGRAM. DEPUTY RAYAS  
7 ENJOYED RECREATION AND THE OUTDOORS AS WELL AS COOKING AND  
8 CREATING SCRAPBOOKS. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER SMILE, HER  
9 GENEROSITY AND HER POSITIVE ATTITUDE. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER  
10 PARENTS, SALVADOR, MARIA, HER BROTHER SALVADOR, JR. AND  
11 JAIMIE. HER SISTER PATRICIA AND HER NIECES, ERICA AND SOPHIA,  
12 ALL OF WHOM WILL MISS HER DEARLY. I REQUEST THAT WE ALL  
13 ADJOURN IN DEPUTY RAYA'S MEMORY.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ALL MEMBERS.

16

17 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THEN FINALLY, MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES,  
18 BRADY JOHNSON, JR. WHO PASSED THIS PAST WEEK AT THE AGE OF 82.  
19 HE WAS A UNITED STATES ARMY VETERAN AND SERVED IN THE KOREAN  
20 WAR. AFTER HE WAS HONORABLY DISCHARGED IN 1954, HE MARRIED  
21 MARGARET CRUMP. IN 1971, HE BEGAN A 44-YEAR CAREER IN  
22 EDUCATION AS A TEACHER AT THE K. ANTHONY SCHOOL IN INGLEWOOD  
23 WHERE HE PERSONALLY GREETED THE PARENTS AND STUDENTS EACH  
24 MORNING FOR THESE 44 YEARS. HIS PASSION FOR EDUCATION STEMMED  
25 FROM THE VALUES PASSED ALONG TO HIM FROM HIS MOTHER, WHO

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1 STRESSED THAT EDUCATION SHOULD BE A NUMBER ONE PRIORITY FOR  
2 ALL. HE BELIEVED THAT CHILDREN FROM THE INNER CITY HAD THE  
3 ABILITY TO BECOME WELL EDUCATED PROFESSIONALS. AND HE WAS  
4 DETERMINED TO HELP REDEFINE THE COMMUNITY'S SENSE OF WHAT WAS  
5 POSSIBLE FOR ALL STUDENTS AND THEIR POTENTIAL TO SUCCEED. MR.  
6 JOHNSON WILL BE REMEMBERED AS A VISIONARY EDUCATION PIONEER  
7 AND FOR HIS PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO TEACHING. HE IS SURVIVED BY  
8 HIS WIFE OF 55 YEARS, MARGARET. HIS SON KEITH AND TWO GRAND  
9 DAUGHTERS, AMBER AND AUTUMN, ALL OF WHOM WILL MISS HIM DEARLY.  
10 THAT CONCLUDES MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.  
13 SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WE ALREADY DID THAT? AND THEN WE HAVE PUBLIC  
14 COMMENT. OKAY HAVE ROBERT LUCAS. JOSE RAMOS. ALFRED LUGO.  
15 JOSE. THEY ALL LEFT. ANY OF THE VETERANS HERE TODAY? THEY'VE  
16 ALL LEFT. HENRY NITO. HENRY? JOSE MARTINEZ. PHILIP GARCIA WAS  
17 MILITARY. CARLOS. MARILYN MORENO. LINDA IBENEZ MR. LUCAS, WHY  
18 DON'T YOU GO.

19

20 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD EVENING, EVERYBODY. MRS. KUEHL AND MR. A.'S  
21 SOCKS MATCH. THAT'S FANTASTIC. I CAUGHT THAT. I WATCHED YOU  
22 WALK OUT. THAT WAS GREAT. YOU KNOW, SOME OF THE THINGS THAT  
23 I'M DEALING WITH RIGHT NOW WITH THIS A.B.109 AND SOME OF THE  
24 PROBATION AND D.P.S.S. ISSUES, BECAUSE THIS IS A PRODUCT OF  
25 CALFRESH OVER THE LAST SEVEN MONTHS. AND I'M VERY GRATEFUL FOR



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1 IT. ON THE SECOND, MY FUNDING IS THROUGH WITH MY HOUSING. YOU  
2 KNOW, I'M AS READY AS I'M GOING TO BE. THE FACT OF THE MATTER  
3 IS -- AND THERE'S SOME HUMOR TO THIS AND THERE'S ALSO  
4 SOMETHING NOT SO FUNNY. I HAD SOMEBODY APPROACH ME AND AS  
5 POLITICALLY CORRECT AS I CAN EXPLAIN THIS, HE ASKED ME, HE  
6 SAID WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN A PROVOCATIVE  
7 FILM? AND I SAID -- SO I STEPPED BACK, RIGHT? AND ALL OF THE  
8 WORK -- I WANTED TO PUNCH HIM IN THE MOUTH. NOW, TODAY I  
9 WOULDN'T DO THAT. BUT LET ME TELL YOU SOMETHING, WITH SOME OF  
10 THE THINGS THAT I'VE GOT COMING UP HERE IN THE NEXT 35, 45  
11 DAYS, I WANTED TO SAY HELLO TO HIM IN A VERY SPECIAL WAY. I'M  
12 NOT THAT PERSON ANYMORE. BUT I DID CHASE HIM OFF WITH SOME  
13 VERY SELECT WORDS. ALSO, I WANT TO THANK THE SUPERVISORS WHO  
14 HAVE PARTICIPATED AND ARE GOING TO HELP ME JUMP OFF OF THAT  
15 24-STORY BUILDING, THE SHERATON, ON JUNE 11TH. I'M A LITTLE  
16 SHORT ON THE FUNDING. BECAUSE I KNOW SOME OF THE PEOPLE THAT I  
17 DEAL WITH ON A DAILY BASIS ARE GOING TO TAKE GREAT PLEASURE IN  
18 WATCHING ME JUMP OFF THAT BUILDING IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER. I  
19 KNOW I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO AT THIS TIME. IT CAN'T BE NO WORSE  
20 THAN RIDING A BICYCLE DOWNTOWN.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** EVELYN RAMOS. BE SAFE. CASSANDRA  
23 SANCHEZ. MARIA BARDAY. PAMELA PIMPLETON. SHANE GREGORY. KEVIN  
24 MOTTUS. DONNA RAE. ALAINA BROOKS. SHANE GREGORY I MENTIONED.

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1 NAOMI VILLANUEVA. WHY DON'T YOU BEGIN AND THEN WE'LL CALL SOME  
2 MORE NAMES? YES, MA'AM.

3

4 **EVELYN RAMOS:** YES. MY NAME IS EVELYN RAMOS AND I WOULD LIKE TO  
5 FIRST START BY SAYING TO MRS. SOLIS, SUPERVISOR, THANK YOU FOR  
6 ALLOWING US TO COME OUT TO YOUR DISTRICT OFFICE AND YOU HEARD  
7 US. AND WE'RE VERY GRATEFUL AND APPRECIATIVE OF THAT. AND I  
8 WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT MYSELF. MY NAME IS  
9 EVELYN RAMOS AND I'M HONORED TO BE HERE. TO BE ABLE TO SPEAK  
10 ON THIS ISSUE THAT I AM VERY PASSIONATE ABOUT. I ASK THAT YOU  
11 PLEASE HEAR ME WITH NOT ONLY YOUR EARS BUT WITH YOUR HEARTS  
12 AND OPEN MINDS. I HAVE BEEN AN IN-HOME SUPPORT SERVICE  
13 PROVIDER FOR 19 YEARS. I TAKE CARE OF MY 24-YEAR-OLD AUTISTIC  
14 SON AND MY 87-YEAR-OLD MOTHER WITH ALZHEIMER'S. MY JOB IS  
15 EXTREMELY DIFFICULT, BUT I PERSIST BECAUSE I LOVE MY FAMILY.  
16 AND MOST IMPORTANTLY, I UNDERSTAND THE SPECIFIC NEEDS. I STAND  
17 HERE TODAY BEFORE OUR ELECTED OFFICIALS WITH HUMILITY AND  
18 RESPECT, PLEADING TO PLEASE RELIEVE OUR FINANCIAL BURDENS. WE  
19 ARE NOW IN THE 21ST CENTURY, AND IT IS TIME FOR A CHANGE. WITH  
20 EQUALITY FOR ALL OF US SPECIFICALLY I.H.S.S. PROVIDERS. I AM  
21 ASKING THAT YOU GIVE US THE DIGNITY AND RESPECT THAT WE HAVE  
22 EARNED. THIS IS UNACCEPTABLE AND IT MUST CHANGE. WE CANNOT  
23 CONTINUE THIS WAY. WE ARE THE FIRST AND THE LAST RESPONDERS  
24 AND WE ARE NO DIFFERENT THAN THE CITY RESPONDERS WHO DEDICATE  
25 THEIR LIVES TO THE SERVICE OF OTHERS. THEREFORE WHY MUST WE BE

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1 TREATED ANY DIFFERENTLY? FOR WE ALSO SAVE AND SUSTAIN LIVES.  
2 WHY MUST OUR WAGES BE SO LIMITED? WHY MUST WE SPEND EVERY DAY  
3 STRUGGLING AND TRYING SO DESPERATELY TO SURVIVE ON \$9.65 AN  
4 HOUR. THERE WILL COME A DAY WHEN WE ALL WILL NEED A CARETAKER.  
5 PLEASE UNDERSTAND OUR PLIGHT AND APPROVE OUR WAGE INCREASE OF  
6 \$15 AN HOUR.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. YES, MA'AM.

9

10 **DONNA RAE:** HELLO, MY NAME IS DONNA RAE. I'M HERE BECAUSE I AM  
11 THE RECIPIENT. MY CARETAKER, HE NEEDS TO HAVE A RAISE TO TAKE  
12 CARE OF ME. I'M NOT ASKING FOR MUCH. I WAS BORN WITH BRAIN  
13 DAMAGE. I HAD 15 SURGERIES AS A CHILD. AND I AM 62 YEARS OLD  
14 AND I HAD 17 MORE SURGERIES AS AN ADULT. I HAVE A TOTAL OF 34  
15 SURGERIES. AND THIS IS WHAT LEFT ME TODAY. I'D LIKE FOR YOU TO  
16 SEE WHAT LEFT ME TODAY IN MY LIFE. THIS IS WHAT I HAVE.  
17 THERE'S NO WAY TURNING AROUND GETTING IT FIXED. THIS IS WHAT  
18 I'M SAYING. I GET UP AND FIGHT EVERY DAY FOR MY HOME CARE  
19 WORKERS TO HAVE QUALITY, TO HAVE A RAISE BECAUSE HE HELPS ME  
20 PAY FOR SOME OF MY STUFF THAT I NEED. JUST ONE BAG COSTS \$25.  
21 I'D LIKE TO TAKE AND CHANGE IT EVERY OTHER DAY. ONLY ALLOWED  
22 TO DO IT EVERY OTHER FRIDAY. THAT'S DISGUSTING TO ME. I HAVE  
23 IRON DEFICIENCY AND B12 DEFICIENCY. I'M HALF DEAD AND I WANT  
24 TO DIE WITH DIGNITY AND I WANT MY PROVIDER TO HAVE HIS RAISE.  
25 BECAUSE HE HELPS MY BROTHER WITH A BRAIN INJURY. PLUS I HAVE

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1 SEIZURES ON TOP OF THAT. PLUS HE HELPED MY BROTHER WHO HAD  
2 BRAIN INJURY. HE WAS HIT BY A CAR AND LIKE A PIECE OF ANIMAL  
3 LEFT IN THE STREET WITH HIS EYES OUT OF HIS HEAD. I ASK FOR A  
4 RAISE. HE'S HELPING OTHERS BESIDES TAKING AND BEING GREEDY.  
5 THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR TIME. I APPRECIATE IT.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. LET ME ALSO CALL UP  
8 ELENA ANOCK AND VEE KAY. YES, MA'AM.

9

10 **NAOIMI VILLANUEVA:** MY NAME IS NAOMI VILLANUEVA. I LIVE IN THE  
11 FIRST DISTRICT IN WEST COVINA. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND  
12 YOUR STAFF FOR MEETING WITH US AND LEARNING OF THE IMPORTANT  
13 WORK WE DO. L.A. COUNTY HOME CARE WORKERS CARE FOR THE ELDERLY  
14 AND DISABLED AND OUR WORK IS VERY IMPORTANT. BUT WE NEED TO BE  
15 ABLE TO MAKE A LIVING OURSELVES. AND SO WE PETITION THAT OUR  
16 FEE BE RAISED FROM THE PRESENT \$9.65 PER HOUR TO \$15 PER HOUR  
17 SO THAT WE WILL BE JUSTLY COMPENSATED FOR THE LONG AND  
18 DIFFICULT HOURS OF OUR WORK AND FOR US TO COPE WITH THE EVER  
19 RISING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AS A WHOLE. ON BEHALF OF ALL THE  
20 MEMBERS OF THE UNION, I PERSONALLY TAKE CARE OF MY SICK AND  
21 ELDERLY MOM AND OTHERS WHO SELFLESSLY CARE FOR THE SICK AND  
22 NEEDY ELDERS OUT THERE ARE HUMBLY REQUESTING THE HONORABLE  
23 MEMBERS OF SUPERVISORS TO APPROVE OUR PETITION. IN  
24 ANTICIPATION OF YOUR FAVORABLE RESPONSE TO THIS VERY IMPORTANT

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1 MATTER, WE THANK YOU, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,  
2 FROM THE BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS. GOD BLESS US ALL.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP CHRIS  
5 NEVIL. AND NICHOLAS COFORI? KEITH ELSENSITIVE. ALEXIS  
6 MARTINEZ? ENRIQUE MARTINEZ? JAIMIE TRUEBLOOD. AMBER TRUEBLOOD.  
7 MARCO GONZALEZ. KHACHATOOR GHARAPETYAN. NATALIE MARTINEZ LEON.  
8 ROSA VILLEGAS, MARK. YES, SIR. GO ON OR MA'AM GO FIRST.

9

10 **SHANE GREGORY:** MY NAME IS SHANE GREGORY. AND I'M HERE TO SPEAK  
11 ABOUT THE L.A.-RICS PROGRAM. I'M VERY CONCERNED AND I DO  
12 APPRECIATE THAT ON MARCH 24TH THE BOARD DID HALT THE PROGRAM.  
13 HOWEVER, UNFORTUNATELY, WHEN THE PROGRAM WAS REINSTATED ON  
14 APRIL 14TH, WHAT HAPPENED WAS THAT THE TOXIC BURDEN THAT WAS  
15 TO BE PLACED ON THE FIREFIGHTERS WAS REMOVED AND THEN PUT ON  
16 THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWERS THAT HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED TO BE  
17 INSTALLED AT 19 DIFFERENT LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENTS AND  
18 ALSO THOSE WHO ARE IN THE, QUOTE, MIXED USE CATEGORY IN THE  
19 CAP DOCUMENT. THIS MEANS THAT THE MEN, WOMEN, CHILDREN AND THE  
20 UNBORN LIVING IN THESE AREAS ARE GOING TO BE AFFECTED BY RADIO  
21 FREQUENCY RADIATION. THE TOWERS ARE GOING UP WITHOUT NOTICE. I  
22 HAD JUST PERSONALLY WALKED 8 OF THE 19 L.A.P.D. SITES. NOBODY  
23 KNEW OR KNOWS WHAT'S GOING ON. THEY ARE RESIDENTIAL.  
24 BIOLOGICAL EFFECTS HAVE BEEN FOUND TO OCCUR AT APPROXIMATELY  
25 300 METERS, WHICH IS THE EQUIVALENT OF THREE CITY BLOCKS. I'VE

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1 WALKED THE RADIUS AROUND THESE TOWERS. AND IN SOME CASES, I'VE  
2 ENCOUNTERED NO FEWER THAN 250 HOMES. MISS KUEHL, YOU MADE A  
3 VERY INTERESTING COMMENT IN THE "LOS ANGELES TIMES" INTERVIEW  
4 WHEN YOU SAID THAT THERE WAS A LOT OF HEARTBURN ON BOTH SIDES?  
5 BUT THE PROBLEMS THAT THESE RESIDENTS ARE GOING TO HAVE GO WAY  
6 BEYOND HEARTBURN. IT'S NOT SOMETHING THAT IS GOING TO BE  
7 CORRECT BY PEPCID OR ALKA-SELTZER. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT  
8 POTENTIAL CANCERS, BEHAVIORAL PROBLEMS, HEART PALPITATIONS,  
9 HEADACHES, SLEEPLESSNESS, AGITATION AND THIS IS REALLY A TOXIC  
10 LEGACY. AND I IMPORE YOU TO PUT AN END TO THIS. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MA'AM. LET ME ALSO CALL UP  
13 MARK TURCIOS. AND JOE WEST. YES, SIR.

14

15 **MEDIN MOTTUS:** ENRICO MARTINEZ CEDED ME HIS TIME BECAUSE HE HAD  
16 TO LEAVE TO PICK UP HIS CHILDREN SO IF WE COULD PUT FOUR  
17 MINUTES ON, THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

20

21 **KEVIN MOTTUS::** SO MY NAME IS KEVIN MOTTUS AND, SUPERVISORS,  
22 PLEASE WE'RE TALKING A VERY IMPORTANT MATTER. WE'RE WITH STOP  
23 L.A.-RICS. STOP THE CELL TOWERS. SPECIFICALLY WE'RE TALKING  
24 ABOUT THE CELL TOWER ON THE L.A.P.D. STATION ON THE PACIFIC  
25 LOCATION. WE WANT THE CONSTRUCTION HALTED. AND THE WHOLE

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1 PROGRAM IS TERRIBLY, TERRIBLY FLAWED DUE TO THE HEALTH  
2 CONCERNS THAT HAVEN'T BEEN WELL ADDRESSED. WE ARE NOT  
3 NOTIFYING OUR RESIDENTS ADEQUATELY. THERE ARE 82 CELL TOWERS  
4 GOING UP. AND WHEN WE GO OUT AND TALK TO PEOPLE, THE RESIDENTS  
5 DON'T KNOW THEY'RE GETTING A CELL TOWER IN THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD.  
6 YOU COULD IMAGINE WAKING UP AND THEN SEEING A CELL TOWER  
7 THAT'S SOMETIMES CONSTRUCTED OVERNIGHT THAT'S 70 FEET HIGH.  
8 THE CONCERN IS THE MICROWAVE RADIATION THESE CELL TOWERS EMIT.  
9 AND WITH THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION CLASSIFYING THE  
10 MICROWAVES EMITTED BY WIRELESS CELL TOWERS AS A CLASS II-B.  
11 CARCINOGEN, WE CAN NO LONGER PRETEND THAT THIS TECHNOLOGY IS  
12 SAFE. ALSO, TWO WEEKS AGO, 190 SCIENTISTS FROM 39 COUNTRIES  
13 APPEALED TO THE U.N. AND THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION IN  
14 SAYING THAT MICROWAVES FROM WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY, ESPECIALLY  
15 CELL TOWERS, CAUSE D.N.A. DAMAGE. LOCALLY, OUR CALIFORNIA  
16 MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HAS PASSED A RESOLUTION SAYING THE SAFETY  
17 STANDARDS THAT OVERSEE WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY ARE SIMPLY  
18 INADEQUATE TO PROVIDE SAFETY. YOUR OWN RESOLUTION IN JUNE 2,  
19 2009 THAT WAS VOTED FOR BY SUPERVISOR KNABE, SUPERVISOR  
20 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MAKES THE CASE  
21 VERY WELL AND THAT IS THERE ARE LONG- TERM EFFECTS THAT WE  
22 STILL DO NOT KNOW ABOUT, BUT THERE IS TREMENDOUS SCIENCE  
23 POINTING TO INCREASED RISKS OF CANCER, NEUROLOGICAL PROBLEMS,  
24 IMMUNE SYSTEM PROBLEMS, CARDIAC PROBLEMS. AND REPRODUCTIVE  
25 HARM. YOUR OWN RESOLUTION SAID THAT THE F.C.C. STANDARDS ARE



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1 SIMPLY INADEQUATE AND NEED TO BE ADDRESSED. YOUR OWN  
2 RESOLUTION SAID THAT WE NEED TO DO MORE TO PROTECT PEOPLE.  
3 YOUR OWN RESOLUTION IS BEING IGNORED IN THIS CASE, AND YOU ARE  
4 DEPLOYING AN ENTIRELY NEW CELL TOWER SYSTEM THAT IS GOING TO  
5 BE BLANKETING OUR COMMUNITY WITH ANOTHER LAYER OF RADIO  
6 FREQUENCY RADIATION. YOUR SETBACK OF 250 FEET IS SIMPLY  
7 ERRONEOUS AND SHOWS YOUR LACK OF KNOWLEDGE IN TERMS OF  
8 WIRELESS TECHNOLOGY. BY SETTING PEOPLE BACK 250 FEET, YOU ARE  
9 PUTTING THEM IN THE HIGHEST INTENSITY OF THE BEAM OF MICROWAVE  
10 RADIATION FROM THESE CELL TOWERS. YOU'RE CERTAINLY NOT  
11 PROTECTING THEM. THE DISTANCE WOULD HAVE TO BE FAR, FAR  
12 GREATER. AND WE KNOW THE SAFETY STANDARDS WOULD HAVE TO BE  
13 MUCH LOWER. IN COUNTRIES LIKE AUSTRIA, THEIR SAFETY STANDARDS  
14 ARE 100,000 TIMES LOWER THAN OURS. 100,000 TIMES BECAUSE THEY  
15 TAKE INTO ACCOUNT NONTHERMAL, SUBTHERMAL EFFECTS. OUR COUNTS,  
16 OUR STANDARDS ONLY TAKE INTO ACCOUNT BURNING. OUR STANDARDS  
17 ALSO DO NOT COVER CHILDREN EXPLICITLY, DO NOT COVER PEOPLE  
18 WITH MEDICAL CONDITIONS, OR PEOPLE, OR PREGNANT WOMEN. YET YOU  
19 ARE LOCATING FOUR OF THESE TOWERS ON FOUR COUNTY HOSPITALS.  
20 HOW DO YOU EXPLAIN LOCATING THESE ON COUNTY HOSPITALS WHEN YOU  
21 WOULDN'T LOCATE THEM ON FIRE STATIONS WITH STRONG, STRAPPING  
22 FIREMEN INSIDE, AND YOUR LOGIC WAS "WELL THEY HAVE TO RESIDE  
23 INSIDE." WELL, WE HAVE RESIDENTS THAT ARE RESIDING INSIDE OF  
24 THEIR HOMES WITH THEIR SMALL CHILDREN. AND THEY ARE CERTAINLY  
25 MORE VULNERABLE THAN THESE FIREMEN. I DON'T UNDERSTAND THIS

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1 LOGIC. THIS IS A DEEPLY FLAWED PROGRAM. I ASK YOU TO STOP THE  
2 L.A.-RICS PROGRAM. I ASK YOU TO STOP THE TOWER THAT'S BEING  
3 PLANNED ON BEING BUILT ON FRIDAY ON THE L.A.P.D. PACIFIC  
4 STATION.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP MODESTA  
7 CORRANZA MODESTA WILL NEED AN INTERPRETER. YES, MA'AM.

8

9 **AMBER TRUEBLOOD:** MY NAME IS AMBER TRUEBLOOD. I AM ALSO WITH  
10 THE STOP L.A.-RICS GROUP HERE. I AM HERE BECAUSE I'M A  
11 RESIDENT OF -- THE PACIFIC DIVISION OF THE L.A.P.D. I'M A MOM  
12 OF FOUR AND I'M JUST HERE REPRESENTING OTHER MOMS IN THE AREA.  
13 THERE ARE 7 SCHOOLS IN THE IMMEDIATE VICINITY OF THAT PROPOSED  
14 CELL TOWER. I AM REPRESENTING OVER, I ADDED IT UP OVER 2,500  
15 CHILDREN IN THAT AREA. I'M SUBMITTING THESE LETTERS FROM  
16 PHYSICIANS TO THE PUBLIC RECORD SHOWING -- THESE ARE FROM  
17 PHYSICIANS. OVER AND OVER AGAIN THE NEGATIVE IMPACT ESPECIALLY  
18 ON CHILDREN GIVEN THEIR INCREASE OF VULNERABILITY TO R.F. AS  
19 HE SAID PREVIOUSLY, THE LOS ANGELES FIREFIGHTERS WERE  
20 CONCERNED ABOUT THEIR OWN HEALTH AND SAFETY AND THEIR UNION  
21 TOOK THEIR CONCERNS TO YOU AND YOU TOOK IT SERIOUSLY. AND THEY  
22 WERE ABLE TO STOP AND YOU WERE ABLE TO STOP THE INSTALLATION  
23 OF THE TOWERS ON THEIR BUILDINGS. WE'RE JUST ASKING THAT THESE  
24 2,500 CHILDREN AND THE RESIDENTS SURROUNDING THE PACIFIC  
25 DIVISION STATION HAVE THAT SAME RESPECT FOR THEIR SAFETY AND

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1 THEIR HEALTH AND THAT YOU STOP THIS CELL TOWER FROM GOING UP.  
2 I HAVE HERE 412 SIGNATURES IN THE LAST WEEK AND A HALF THAT WE  
3 WERE ABLE TO, SINCE WE FOUND OUT ABOUT THIS, WE WENT, WALKED  
4 THE NEIGHBORHOOD, ALSO DID AN ONLINE PETITION. AND THESE ARE  
5 COPIES FOR ALL OF YOU OF ALL OF THOSE SIGNATURES, AS WELL.  
6 THANK YOU.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP ALEX  
9 SAN MARTIN. ALEX SAN MARTIN. LIBYA ALFERO. OSCAR JOHNSON  
10 MOHAMMED. YES, SIR OR YES, MA'AM WHOEVER GOES FIRST.

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12 **ROSA VILLEGAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, FOR  
13 GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE HERE. MY NAME IS ROSA  
14 VILLEGAS. I LIVE IN DISTRICT 3. I LIVE IN VAN NUYS. L.A.  
15 COUNTY HOME CARE WORKERS PROVIDE CARE FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE  
16 RESIDENTS, SENIORS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. OUR JOB IS TO  
17 KEEP THOSE WE CARE ALIVE. AND YET WE SEEM TO GET PUNISHED BY  
18 THE WORK WE DO FOR THEM. THERE ARE CURRENTLY 140,000 CARE  
19 WORKERS IN THIS COUNTY. AND 81 OF US LIVE IN POVERTY. WE'RE  
20 ASKING YOUR SUPPORT TO GIVE US \$15 AN HOUR AS WE CANNOT LIVE  
21 WITH \$9.65. WE ALL HAVE BILLS TO PAY. EVERYTHING HAS ALWAYS  
22 BEEN VERY EXPENSIVE. AND WE ARE DOING A VERY DIFFICULT JOB  
23 THAT NO ONE REALLY WANTS TO DO. BUT WE CARE FOR OUR LOVED  
24 ONES, FOR OUR COMMUNITY, AND WE'RE ASKING FOR YOUR SUPPORT.  
25 SOME DAYS ALL OF US WILL PROBABLY BE ON THAT NEED. AND WITH

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1 9.65, THERE'S NO WAY WE CAN SURVIVE. SO WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT.  
2 WE NEED YOU TO HAVE COMPASSION FOR US. WE WORK VERY, VERY,  
3 VERY HARD, 24/7. WE DON'T EVEN GET PAID FOR THE HOURS WE DO.  
4 BUT HERE WE ARE FOR TAKING CARE AGAIN FOR OUR COMMUNITY, FOR  
5 DISABLED PEOPLE, FOR THE VULNERABLE ONES. WITH 9.65 THERE'S NO  
6 WAY WE CAN LIVE. WE HAVE BILLS TO PAY. AND WE NEED TO PAY OUR  
7 BILLS. SO PLEASE, I'M ASKING TO PLEASE CONSIDER US PAYING US  
8 \$15. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE REALLY APPRECIATE IT FROM THE  
9 BOTTOM OF OUR HEARTS.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP RENETTA  
12 MATTHEWS. YES, SIR.

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14 **MARK TURCIOS:** HELLO, SIR, MY NAME IS MARK TURCIOS. I AM FROM  
15 DISTRICT 3. UNDER MISS SHEILA KUEHL. I TAKE CARE OF MY 83-  
16 YEAR-OLD MOTHER WHO'S GOT SPINAL STENOSIS, SEVERE ARTHRITIS.  
17 SHE'S ALSO OXYGEN-DEPENDENT. SHE HAS EMPHYSEMA. AND I AM  
18 GRATEFUL FOR THIS PROGRAM BECAUSE IT ALLOWS ME TO TAKE CARE OF  
19 MY MOM AND KEEP HER OUT OF A NURSING HOME. I'M A BIBLE  
20 INSTRUCTOR AND ALSO A MISSIONARY IN MY CHURCH. SO I HAVE  
21 VISITED A LOT OF PEOPLE IN NURSING HOMES. AND NO ONE THAT I  
22 HAVE MET IN A NURSING HOME IS HAPPY TO BE THERE. SO THIS  
23 PROGRAM IS A BLESSING TO GIVE PEOPLE DIGNITY ON THEIR LAST  
24 YEARS, PEOPLE WHO CANNOT AFFORD IT, TO HAVE SOMEONE, A FAMILY  
25 MEMBER OR A FRIEND OR A PERSON THAT CAN TAKE CARE OF THEM AND

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1    HELP THEM STAY AWAY FROM GOING INTO A NURSING HOME. YOU KNOW,  
2    IT IS A WIN/WIN SITUATION FOR THE CITY BECAUSE PEOPLE IN THE  
3    NURSING HOME, YOU HAVE TO PAY ABOUT 10 TO \$15,000 A MONTH.  
4    YOU'RE NOT PAYING US THAT. SO WE'RE JUST ASKING FOR HELP SO  
5    THAT WE CAN PAY OUR BILLS AND BE ABLE TO DO THIS AND  
6    ULTIMATELY HELP OTHER PEOPLE STAY EMPLOYED. SO IT'S A WIN/WIN  
7    SITUATION FOR EVERYONE FOR YOU TO PLEASE HELP US OUT AND GIVE  
8    US THIS INCREASE TO HELP US LIVE BETTER AND HAVE MORE PEOPLE  
9    STAY AT WORK. AND TO MRS. KUEHL, I THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR THE  
10   WAY YOUR REPRESENTATIVE RECEIVED US IN YOUR OFFICE LAST  
11   THURSDAY. SHE WAS VERY NICE. AND SHE TOOK NOTES. AND I'M  
12   CONFIDENT THAT SHE PASSED TO YOU EVERYTHING THAT WE SAID THAT  
13   DAY. AND I THANK YOU ALL OF THE SUPERVISORS. AND I'M GOING TO  
14   BE PRAYING FOR YOU ALL. AND I THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE  
15   OPPORTUNITY TO SIT HERE BEFORE YOU AND ASK YOU FOR YOUR HELP.  
16   IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST I ASK HIM TO BLESS ALL OF YOU AND  
17   YOUR FAMILIES. THANK YOU.

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19   **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. LET ME ALSO CALL UP  
20   ERIC PREVEN. VANESSA PENA. ARNOLD SACHS. YES, MA'AM GO AHEAD.

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22   **OLIVIA:** MY NAME IS OLIVIA I LIVE IN DISTRICT 2. [INAUDIBLE]  
23   COSTS OVER \$10. AND IT'S NOT ENOUGH FOR ME ONLY. EVEN MY  
24   FAMILY IS BI GOOD. SIMPLE, \$9.65 IS NOT ENOUGH FOR THE MOST  
25   BASIC NECESSITIES LIKE FOOD, WHICH IS WHY 18 PERCENT OF

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1 140,000 I.H.S.S. PROVIDERS HAVE TO RELY ON FOOD STAMPS TO FEED  
2 THEIR FAMILIES. IN MY CASE, WE ARE TALKING ABOUT THE RENT WE  
3 NEED TO PAY IN LOS ANGELES IS REALLY, REALLY HIGH AND THE  
4 FOOD, ALSO, INCREASE EVERY WEEK IF WE GO TOGETHER. SO THAT IS  
5 THE REASON WE ASK YOU TO INCREASE OUR SALARIES TO 15. WHEN?  
6 NOW. THANK YOU. I REALLY APPRECIATE IT.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OSCAR, YOU WERE CALLED, AS  
9 WELL. YES, SIR. YES, SIR. YES, SIR.

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11 **ALEX SANMARTINE:** OH, I'M SORRY. GOOD AFTERNOON, MEMBERS OF THE  
12 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS ALEX SANMARTIN AND I LIVE IN  
13 LOS ANGELES DISTRICT 1. THE REASON WHY I'M HERE, I JUST WANT  
14 TO ASK YOU A QUESTION. WHY IS RAISING THE MINIMUM WAGE TO \$15  
15 AN HOUR FOR HEALTHCARE WORKERS IMPORTANT FOR ME? QUITE SIMPLE.  
16 MY HEALTHCARE WORKER, HER NAME IS LORRAINE MOORLAND AND SHE'S  
17 BEEN WITH ME FOR MAYBE THREE OR FOUR MONTHS NOW. AND SHE  
18 PROVIDES QUALITY CARE. SHE DOESN'T GIVE UP ON ME. AND I ASK  
19 THAT OUR COUNTY SUPERVISORS DON'T GIVE UP ON HER, AS WELL.  
20 LORAYNE HAS HELPED ME WITH THE MOST BASIC DAILY TASKS. BUT  
21 THEY ARE LIFE SAVERS FOR ME. FOR EXAMPLE, BATHING, CLEANING,  
22 COOKING, TAKING ME TO THE DOCTOR APPOINTMENTS THAT I HAVE TO  
23 GO TO, TAKING ME TO THE GROCERY STORE FOR SHOPPING FOR FOOD.  
24 SHE DOES LIKE JUST THE BASIC STUFF BUT IT'S SO IMPORTANT FOR  
25 ME. AND SO I JUST ASK THAT YOU TAKE ACTION NOW ON THIS YOU

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1 BECAUSE IT'S SO IMPORTANT BECAUSE WE HAVE TO UPLIFT OUR FELLOW  
2 HEALTHCARE WORKERS. AND \$9.65 AN HOUR THAT SHE MAKES, SHE'S  
3 ALWAYS TELLING ME THAT SHE STRUGGLES A LOT WITH PAYING BILLS  
4 AND PAYING FOR HER RENT AND PAYING FOR HER CELL PHONE AND JUST  
5 THE BASIC NEEDS FOR HER. SO I JUST ASK THAT YOU TAKE ACTION ON  
6 THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU SO MUCH.

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8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. HERMAN HERMAN.  
9 YES, MA'AM.

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11 **VANESSA PENA:** HI, MY NAME IS VAN VANESSA PENA. I LIVE IN  
12 DISTRICT 1 AND I LIVE IN THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO. I'M HERE  
13 SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF NEARLY 300 HOME CARE WORKERS THAT CAME  
14 WITH US TODAY BUT COULD NOT STAY BECAUSE THEY HAD TO GO HOME  
15 TO PROVIDE CARE TO THEIR CONSUMERS. AS A COST OF LIVING IS ON  
16 THE RISE AND THE GROCERIES ARE GETTING MORE EXPENSIVE, \$9.65  
17 IS NOT A LIVABLE WAGE. IT'S NOT A LIVABLE WAGE FOR ME NOR FOR  
18 THE RESIDENTS OF THE 140,000 HOMECARE WORKERS ACROSS L.A.  
19 COUNTY. WE NEED TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE AN INCREASE OF \$15 AN  
20 HOUR BECAUSE IT'S IMPORTANT FOR US TO MAKE A LIVABLE WAGE AND  
21 WE NEED DIGNITY AND RESPECT FROM THE WORK THAT WE DO. AS FAR  
22 AS HOME CARE WORKERS, WE HAVE 81 PERCENT OUT OF THE 140,000  
23 HOME CARE WORKERS THAT YOU REPRESENT ARE LIVING IN POVERTY.  
24 AND YOU KNOW THAT THAT NEEDS TO CHANGE. WE NEED TO CHANGE IT  
25 NOW. WE CANNOT WAIT BECAUSE HOME CARE WORKERS ARE THE MOST



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1    IMPORTANT WORKERS IN OUR COMMUNITY BECAUSE WE PROVIDE CARE TO  
2    OUR MORE VULNERABLE SENIOR CITIZENS, CHILDREN WITH AUTISM,  
3    PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES AND THE CHRONICALLY ILL. AND WE CAN'T  
4    CONTINUE LIVING ON \$9.65. SO WE NEED A PATHWAY OF \$15 AN HOUR.  
5    HOME CARE WORKERS MAKE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE. I HAD TO  
6    SACRIFICE GOING TO COLLEGE TO MAKE SURE THAT MY BROTHER, WHO  
7    HAS AUTISM RECEIVE PROPER CARE AT HOME. I CANNOT LIVE ON  
8    \$9.65. AND A PATHWAY TO \$15 AN HOUR WOULD MEAN BRINGING IN AN  
9    EXTRA GALLON OF MILK, EXTRA GROCERIES. AND I DON'T HAVE TO  
10    CHOOSE BETWEEN PAYING THE LIGHT BILL AND THE GAS. SO WE HOME  
11    CARE WORKERS NEED \$15 AN HOUR NOW.

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13    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. JOHNSON?

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15    **OSCAR MOHAMMED:** YEAH, MY NAME IS OSCAR MOHAMMED. I SPEAK FOR  
16    THE OPPRESSED. I SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR. AND I SPEAK  
17    FOR CULTURE CHANGE. IT WAS THREE MEN RIDING IN AN OLD REGULAR  
18    CAR IN THE COUNTRY ONE NIGHT. AND THEY WAS THE RABBI, THE  
19    HINDU AND THE LAWYER. AND THE CAR BROKE DOWN AND THEY STOPPED  
20    IN A FARMER HOUSE AND "MR. FARMER COULD YOU LET US IN?" MR.  
21    FARMER SAID "Y'ALL SLEEP IN MY BARN BACK THERE WITH MY PIG AND  
22    MY COW." 30 MINUTES LATER RABBI SAID "MR FARMER, NOT SLEEPING  
23    NEXT TO NO PIG." 30 MINUTES LATER THE HINDU SAID "I CAN'T  
24    SLEEP NEXT TO NO COW." 30 MINUTES LATER THE THE PIG AND THE  
25    COW SAID "MR. FARMER CAN'T SLEEP NEXT TO NO LIAR, I MEAN

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1   LAWYER." ANYWAY, IN THIS END TIME WE'RE LIVING AT WHAT  
2   GOVERNMENT IS GOING OUT ANOTHER GOVERNMENT COMING IN. AND WE  
3   LIVING IN A DAY OF RELIGION. AND GOD SAID HE'S GOING TO TAKE  
4   THE WORK OUT OF THE HANDS OF THE UNRIGHTEOUS AND PUT THE WORK  
5   THE HAND OF THE RIGHTEOUS. WE NEED POLITICAL ESTABLISHMENT. WE  
6   SHOULD FIND A WAY TO BRIDGE FOR POLITICAL RESPONSIBILITY. WE  
7   SHOULD TRY TO BRING THE GOVERNMENT DOWN TO SERVE THE PEOPLE  
8   INSTEAD OF THE PEOPLE SERVING THE FEW PEOPLE PEOPLE  
9   MISREPRESENT US. THANK GOD FOR PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. SO MUCH  
10  THINGS THAT WAS GOING ON IN WASHINGTON 200 YEARS AGO OUR  
11  PRESIDENT HAS BEEN STOPPING THEM EVER SINCE HE CAME IN TRYING  
12  TO MAKE THIS WORLD BETTER FOR EVERYBODY. IF YOU CAN DESTROY  
13  AMERICA POLITICAL GOVERNMENT, YOU CAN DESTROY THE POLITICAL  
14  GOVERNMENT OF THE WORLD. WE SHOULD TRY TO REMOVE AFRICAN-  
15  AMERICANS OFF OF SKID ROW. WE SHOULD TRY TO ASK FOR A BETTER  
16  WAY OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ECONOMIC RACISM, WE SHOULD STOP  
17  ECONOMIC RACISM. WE SHOULD END POLICE BRUTALITY. WE SHOULD  
18  ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF BLACK ON BLACK VIOLENCE ACROSS THIS LAND  
19  EVERY DAY. MANY STATES FOR THEIR PREDOMINANT BLACK PEOPLE AT  
20  IN AMERICA, THEY'RE SUPER IMPORTANT AND THEY ARE KILLING EACH  
21  OTHER EVERY DAY BUT DON'T ANYTHING BE SAID ABOUT IT. BUT WHEN  
22  ONE RACE OF PEOPLE SHOOT ANOTHER RACE, IT'S BIG PUBLICITY.  
23  THAT'S IN THE WRONG DIRECTION.

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25  **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR.

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2 **HERMAN HERMAN:** SO UNITED LONG TERM CARE WORKERS ARE DEMANDING  
3 THAT YOU, THE COUNTY, SUPPORT THEM ON A RAISE. A RAISE THAT  
4 WOULD IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE AS I HAVE ALEX HERE IN HIS  
5 WHEELCHAIR NEXT TO ME. AND HIS PRESENTATION THAT WAS SO DEAD  
6 ON. PEOPLE WORKING SO HARD TO PROVIDE SOMEONE ELSE ACCESS TO A  
7 QUALITY OF LIFE HEALTHCARE GIVERS S.E.I.U. U.L.T.C.Y. SO THE  
8 SECTION 504 OF THE REHABILITATION ACT OF 1973 REQUIRES  
9 MANDATES THAT ALL PROGRAMS RECEIVING FEDERAL FINANCIAL  
10 ASSISTANCE OR ACTIVITIES AND PROGRAMS CONDUCTED BY AN  
11 EXECUTIVE AGENCY HAVE RESPONSIBILITY TO PROVIDE EQUAL ACCESS,  
12 EQUAL PAY. SO, WHY SHOULD A SPEAKER BE DENIED A SPEAKER CARD  
13 TO SPEAK UNDER RALPH BROWN ACT 54963? WHY NO BROWN ACT  
14 ANONYMITY? DOES NOT THE STATE'S CONSTITUTION PROTECT AND ALLOW  
15 ANONYMITY? OR SHOULD A SPEAKER BE HELD TO SIT IN THE  
16 BACKGROUND AND SAY "CALL MY CARDS. CALL MY CARDS.". WHY DO YOU  
17 HOLD SUCH OFFENSE TO MR. SPINDLER? HE JUST SIMPLY PUT "ADOLF  
18 HITLER" ON HIS CARD. I DON'T FIND IT OFFENSIVE. IT'S PROTECTED  
19 SPEECH. HE'S PROTECTING HIS NAME FROM THE ABUSE BY MR. THOMAS  
20 OR ANYONE ELSE ON THIS COUNCIL. THAT'S ALL. PLEASE RESPECT OUR  
21 RIGHTS UNDER THE BROWN ACT AND AGAIN RESPECT THE RIGHTS OF OUR  
22 UNION S.E.I.U U.L.T.C, UNITED LONG-TERM CARE WORKERS AND  
23 PROVIDE THEM THE WAGES THEY NEED TO PROVIDE QUALITY CARE.  
24 THANK YOU.

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1    **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. MOTION TO ADJOURN? WITHOUT  
2    OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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